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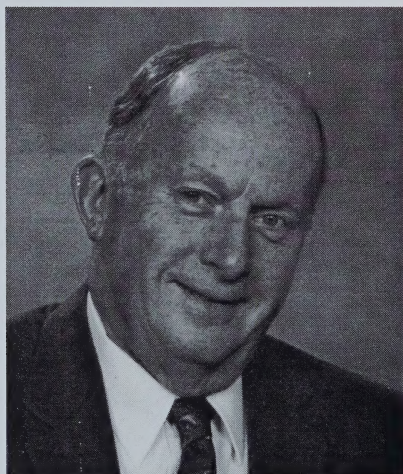


CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 2009

**In Memory  
of  
Two men who served Cornish well.**



**Chief Duane D. Allen, JR.**  
Served 1973-1982  
June 10, 1930 - August 19, 2008



**Selectman, Robert F. Maslan**  
Served 1992-2004  
September 26, 1921 - January 30, 2009

Cover photo: Cornish Live Burn Training Exercise participated by the Cornish and Meriden Fire Departments.

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New Hampshire  
Year Ending December 31, 2008

## NOTICE

### DOG & CAT OWNERS:

RABIES CLINIC – April 4, 2009, 10-11:30 AM  
\$10.00 PER ANIMAL – CORNISH FLAT FIRE STATION  
New Hampshire/Vermont Residents Welcome

Please have dogs on a leash and cats in a carrier and bring a previous rabies certificate

- **All Dogs over three months of age must be licensed by May 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- Failure to license subjects owners to a fine of \$25.00 plus \$1.00 per month after June 1<sup>st</sup>. It's the law.
- Legal Rates: Male/ Female - \$9.00, Neutered/Spayed \$6.50
- Owner over 65, \$2.00 for first dog, regular rates for additional dogs.
- **State Law requires all dogs to be vaccinated against Rabies.**
- Rabies certificates are required for licensing.
- **New Hampshire RSA:466 - Owners are liable for free running dogs. Penalties are severe.**

### NEW CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATIONS:

- The Town requires permits for new construction or exterior alterations to any building. If in doubt, check first with the Selectmen.

### TO THOSE OPERATING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS:

- RSA 438-A State Dredge & Fill applications must be filed with the Town Clerk before beginning work. Fines may be assessed for noncompliance.

### MUNICIPAL REMINDERS

#### Deadlines:

Property Tax Abatements.....	December Billing to March 1
Current Use Applications.....	April 15
Exemption/Tax Credits.....	April 15
Property Tax Due Date.....	July 1 and December 1
Vehicle Registration.....	Birth Month of Applicant

Please be sure to let the Town Office know when you change your address.



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# **TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

### **Town Clerk – 3 years**

Paula Harthan (2010)

Reigh Sweetser, Deputy

### **Town Treasurer – 1 year**

William Caterino

Brent Edgerton, Deputy

### **Moderator – 2 years**

Peter Burling (2010)

### **Selectmen – 3 years**

John Hammond (2009)

Merilynn Bourne (2010)

Keith Jones (2011)

### **Tax Collector – 1 year**

Reigh Sweetser

Paula Harthan, Deputy

### **Supervisors of Checklist – 6 years**

Leland Atwood (2014)

Robin Monette (2010)

Ruth Rollins (2012)

### **Trustees of Trust Funds – 3 years**

Shirley Blade (2010)

Willis Reed (2011)

Heather Meeks (2009)

### **Trustees of George H Stowell Library – 3 years**

Kathryn Patterson (2010)

Karen Woodbury (2011)

Bernice Johnson (2009)

### **General Assistance & Senior Resources – 1 year**

Connie Kousman

Martha Zoerheide, Assistant

Judith Kaufman, Assistant

Anne Hier, Assistant

### **Highway Agent – 1 year**

Dan Flynn

### **Sexton – 1 year**

Dan Flynn

### **Fence Viewers – 1 year**

Henry Homeyer      Leo Maslan

Bill Gallagher      John Woodhull

Don Snowden

### **Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber – 1 year**

Gwyn Gallagher      Leo Maslan

Jim Fitch      Richard Thompson

Reyer Jaarsma      James Neil

Fred Weld

### **Hog Reeves – 1 year**

Christopher & Christal Chilton

Chuck & Mandy Sullivan

Andrew & Luella Kuhre

Cheston Jr. & Christine Newbold

### **Representatives to the General Court – 2 years**

Carla Skinder (2008)

Charlotte Houde Quimby (2010)

### **State Senator- District 5- 2 years**

Matt Houde (2010)

### **New Hampshire Executive Council – 2 years**

Raymond Burton (2010)

## **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

### **Police Officers – by Selectmen**

E. Douglas Hackett, Chief      Paul Roberts

Corey Stevens      Gerald Beaudry

Anthony Swett

### **Librarian – by Trustees of the Library**

Emily Cromwell

### **Fire Chief – by Selectmen – 3 years**

Nathan Cass (2011)

### **Planning Board - by Selectmen – 3 years**

Cheston Newbold, (2010) - 25 yrs

Bill Lipfert, Chairman (2008) – 6 yrs

Merilynn Bourne, for Selectmen – 2 yrs

Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary (2009) – 8 yrs

Gail McKenzie, (2010) – 10 yrs

Troy Simino (2009) – 5 yrs

Peter Storrs (2009) – 27 years

Larry Dingee (2008) – 3 yrs Alt

Gwyn Gallagher (2010) – 4 yrs Alt

Mary Mancuso (2010) – 2 yr Alt

### **Zoning Board of Adjustment – by**

Moderator – 3 years

Karim Chichakly, Chair (2008) 21 yrs

Caroline Storrs, Vice Chair (2008)30 yrs

Jim Brown (2008) – 3 yrs

Bruce Tracy (2008) – 12 yrs

Jason Bourne (2009) – 3 yrs

**ZBA cntd.**



# TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

William Balch, (2010) – 32 yrs Alt.  
Dale Rook, (2010) – 12 yrs Alt.  
Scott Baker, (2009) – 2 yrs Alt.

Mary Boyle, Chair      Linda Fuerst  
Pat Pinkson-Burke      Ginny Wood  
Martha Zoerheide

## **Conservation Commission – by Selectmen – 3 years**

Gabe Zoerheide, Chair (2010) - 5 yrs  
Bill Gallagher, Vice Chair (2009) –8 yrs  
Betty Miller, Secretary (2010) – 6 yrs  
Loel Callahan (2010) – 4 yrs  
Jon Woodhull (2010) – 1 yr  
Rickey Poor (2008) – 32 yrs  
John Hammond, for Selectmen – 2 yr  
Jim Barker, (2010) – 1 yr  
Linda Fuerst, (2010) – 1 yr Alt  
Mariet Jaarsma, (2010) – 23 yrs Alt.  
Nancy Newbold, (2009) – 23 yrs Alt.  
Don Snowden, (2009) – 17 yrs Alt.  
Frank Parks (2011) Alt.  
Michael Meeks (2011) Alt.

## **Waste Mgmt. Study Committee – by Selectmen**

Pat Pinkson-Burke, Chairman  
George Edson  
Dan Flynn  
William Gallagher  
John Hammond, for Selectmen  
Cheston Newbold  
Dale Rook  
Tim Schad  
Richard Thompson

## **Finance Committee – by Moderator – 3 years**

Robert Bladen, Chairman (2010)  
William Caterino, Ex-Officio  
Heather Meeks (2011)  
Kathy Parks (2011)  
Everett Cass (2011)  
Fred Sullivan (2010)

## **Town Forest Committee – by Selectmen**

Virginia Prince, Chairman  
Kate Freeland  
James Fitch  
John Hammond, for Selectmen  
Bill Gallagher, Conservation Commission

## **Capital Equipment Committee – by Selectmen**

Scott Baker, Chair      Larry Dingee Vic  
Gerry Baillageron      James Fitch  
Tom Spaulding      Dan Flynn  
Reyer Jaarsma      Keith Jones      John Hammond  
**Energy Committee – by Selectmen**

## **Wetlands Wildlife Committee-by Selectmen**

James Fitch      Troy Simino  
Frank Parks

## **UVLS Regional Planning Comm. – by Selectmen**

Cheston Newbold      Bill Lipfert

## **Ct. River Resource Committee – Local River Subcommittee – by Selectmen**

Frank Parks      Michael Meeks

## **Overseer of Covered Bridges – by Selectmen**

Leo Maslan      Richard Thompson

## **Emergency Office Liaison to 911– by Selectmen**

Dale Lawrence

## **Emergency Management Director – by Selectmen**

Scott Reuthe

## **Spirit Committee – by Selectmen**

Colleen O'Neill      Caroline Storrs

## **Selectmen's Special Agent – by Selectmen**

John Hammond

## **Auditors – by Selectmen**

Mason & Rich

## **STATE APPOINTMENTS**

### **Health Officer – Jeff Katchen**

### **Deputy Health Officer – Ginny Prince**

### **Forest Fire Warden – Nate Cass**

### **Forest Fire Deputy Wardens**

Nate Cass      Scott Reuthe  
Leo Maslan      Jim Guy  
Leland Atwood      Bill Harthan  
Bill Fitts      Bob Michals

### **Ballot Clerks – by respective parties – 2 years**

Marion Stone-Rep      Audrey Jacquier- Dem  
Alma Jacklin – Rep.      Judy Rook-Dem

### **Ct. River Commission – by the Governor**

Cheston Newbold

**2009 CORNISH TOWN WARRANT  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School Gymnasium in said Cornish on Tuesday, the 10<sup>TH</sup> of March, next at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1** of the Warrant will be acted upon at 10:00 a.m. Voting will be by official ballot and checklist, and the polls will be open for this purpose and will remain open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., at which time the polls will close. The business portion of Town Meeting will begin at 12:00 noon. **Articles 2 through 22** will be acted upon at that time.

**Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2:** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

(a)	Town Office.....	68,025
(b)	Tax Collector.....	12,315
(c)	Town Clerk.....	12,865
(d)	Election, Registration, Vital Statistics.....	2,805
(e)	Audit Town Books.....	8,000
(f)	Revaluation of Property.....	8,000
(g)	Legal Expenses.....	5,000
(h)	Planning Board.....	2,520
(i)	Zoning Board of Adjustment.....	650
(j)	Building & Grounds.....	26,915
(k)	Cemeteries and Perpetual Care.....	19,125
(l)	Insurance (Property/Liability).....	49,000
(m)	Regional Assoc (UVLSRPC).....	1,978
(n)	Records Preservation.....	0
(o)	Spirit Committee.....	500
(p)	Police Department.....	56,935
(q)	Ambulance.....	18,345
(r)	Fire Department.....	30,650
(s)	Emergency Management.....	50
(t)	Septage.....	2,500
(u)	Recycling.....	9,000
(v)	Hazardous Waste.....	1,500
(w)	Human Services.....	16,050
(x)	Parks & CREA Land.....	6,370
(y)	Memorial Day.....	750
(z)	Conservation Commission Expense.....	800
(z1)	Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes.....	2,000
(z2)	Public Library Fund.....	13,229

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.)

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)



**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$40,000 for the purchase of a new or used Tractor, 4x4 with a cab and bucket, for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$40,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. If there are any funds derived from the sale of the existing tractor, then the selectmen are authorized to deposit said amount in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen)

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$433,532 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$343,529 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above-mentioned snow removal), and the balance of \$90,003 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. (Submitted by the Selectmen.)

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,700 to perform a full update of our property values and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the amount from the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,953 for building maintenance, repairs and improvements to the Library and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the amount from the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Library Trustees).

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants, or proceeds from the maintenance fund for this purpose. No part of this appropriation will come from tax dollars. (Submitted by the Selectmen)

**Article 15:** By petition, to see if the Town will vote to rescind the provisions of RSA 79-A:26-a which account for revenues received from the Land Use Change Tax in a separate fund from the general fund. Any un-appropriated surplus remaining in the Land Use Change Tax Fund and any future Land Use Change Tax revenues received shall immediately be deemed General Fund Revenue.

**Article 16:** Pursuant to RSA 79-A:25, IV, to see if the Town will vote to rescind the prior Town vote which authorized revenues received from the Land Use Change Tax to be deposited into the Conservation Fund, so that the Land Use Change Tax shall be deemed General Fund revenue. If adopted, this change shall take effect the tax year beginning April 1, 2009. (Submitted by the Selectmen)

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of the Trinity Church property and its contents, subject to the following conditions: a. that the church shall be used for civic purposes for the residents of the Town for Cornish, and for others, which shall include, but not be limited to, its use for marriages, funerals and memorial events, and for religious services, without regard to denomination; and, that the church will not be used for residential or commercial purposes or for purposes inconsistent with the historic nature of the building. (Submitted by the Selectmen.)

**Article 18:** Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict one hundred percent (100%) of revenues received from the fees for the use of the Trinity Church to expenditures for the purpose of maintenance, repair and improvement to the Trinity Church and its grounds? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Trinity Church fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue. (Majority ballot vote). (The Selectmen recommend the passage of this article.)

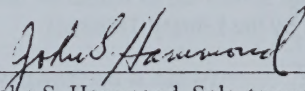
**Article 19:** To see if the Town shall raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of the Trinity Church and its grounds, and to authorize the expenditure of user fees, gifts, grants or proceeds from the Trinity Church Fund for that purpose. (The Selectmen recommend the passage of this article.)

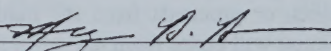
**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a. (Submitted by the Selectmen.)

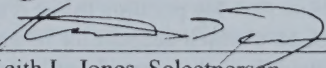
**Article 21:** To hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto

**Article 22:** To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

**Given under our hand and seal this 13th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Nine.**

  
John S. Hammond, Selectperson

  
Marilyn B. Bourne, Selectperson

  
Keith L. Jones, Selectperson

*A true copy attest, Selectmen of Cornish*



## Cornish, NH

### Town Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2008

The minutes of the Cornish Town Meeting held on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of March. Town of Cornish Moderator, Peter Burling opened the polls at 10:00 AM to begin the voting session. Moderator Peter Burling noted that the Warrant was properly certified and that all members of the Selectboard signatures were displayed at the end of the warrant. Moderator Peter Burling then read the Town Warrant in its entirety. Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks were sworn in by Moderator Peter Burling. The Business portion of the meeting began at 12:00 noon with a prayer lead by Reverend Dale Nicholas followed by the pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Article 1:** To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Selectperson (3 years).....	Keith L. Jones 158
Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 years).....	Willis Reed 252
Town Treasurer (1 year).....	William Caterino 255
Highway Agent: (1year).....	Daniel Flynn 251
Tax Collector (1year).....	Reigh Sweetser 266
Sexton (1 year).....	Dan Flynn 16
Town Moderator (2 years).....	Peter Hoe Burling 246
Library Trustee (1 year).....	Karen Woodbury 258
Office of General Assistance (1 year).....	Connie Kousman 260
Supervisors of the Checklist (6 years).....	Leland Atwood 256

- Article 2:**
- (a) Town Office- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$64,107. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.
  - (b) Tax Collector- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$12,705. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.
  - (c) Town Clerk-Stuart Hodgeman moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,985. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.
  - (d) Election, Registrations, Vital Statistics- Bernice Johnson moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$8,159. Ruth Rollins explained that the time involved in keeping the checklist current has increased due to the Secretary of States guidelines. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.

- (e) Audit Town Books- Stuart Hodgeman made a motion to amend the amount to \$8,000. The motion was seconded by John Hammond. Stuart stated that the auditors who have done the books in the past are unable to do them this year. They are looking for a new firm to take over and they may be more expensive. The motion to amend was voted on in the affirmative. The main motion was then voted on in the affirmative.
- (f) Revaluation of Property- Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$ 5,000. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.
- (g) Legal Expenses- Bernice Johnson moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$5,000. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.
- (h) Planning Board- Jessica Sumner moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$3,720. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.
- (i) Zoning Board of Adjustment- Carolyn Storrs moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$970. The motion was seconded by Bernice Johnson and voted on in the affirmative.
- (j) Building and Grounds- Bernice Johnson moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$29,425. The motion was seconded by Willis Reed and voted on in the affirmative.
- (k) Cemeteries and Perpetual Care- Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$22,909. The motion was seconded by Christopher Chilton and voted on in the affirmative.
- (l) Insurance (Property/Liability) - Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$43,000. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.
- (m) Regional Assoc. (UVLSRPC)- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,978. The motion was seconded by Doug Hackett and voted on in the affirmative.
- (n) Records Preservation- Stuart Hodgeman moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,900. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.
- (o) Spirit Committee- Ruth Rollins moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Nancy Newbold and voted on in the affirmative.



- (p) Police Department- Doug Hackett moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$63,367. The motion was seconded by Dale Rook and voted on in the affirmative.
- (q) Ambulance - Janet Lord moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$18,345. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (r) Fire Department- Nate Cass moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$32,650. Nate Cass talked about the New Fire Station in the Cornish Flat being funded without Cornish tax dollars. The Fire Department is looking for volunteers. Bob Maslan encouraged a round of applause for Nate Cass on a job well done. The motion was seconded by Judy Rook and voted on in the affirmative.
- (s) Emergency Management- Bob Maslan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$50. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan and voted on in the affirmative.
- (t) Septage- John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,500. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.
- (u) Recycling- Dale Rook moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$9,000. Dale commented on the construction of the structure over the containers and praised the people involved in the start to finish process. The money was well spent last year. Pam Annis mentioned how efficient the process is at the recycling center and encouraged more people to recycle. The motion was seconded by Michael Monette and voted on in the affirmative.
- (v) Hazardous Waste- Janet Lord moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,500. The next hazardous waste date is July 12 in Newport. The fall date will be October 18 in Lebanon. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.
- (w) Human Services- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$15,050. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.
- (x) Parks & CREA Land- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$6,370. The motion was seconded by Ruth Rollins and voted on in the affirmative.
- (y) Memorial Day- Bob Maslan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$750. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.

(z) Conservation Commission Expense- Gabe Zoerheide moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$900. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.

(z1) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes- Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.

(z2) Public Library Fund- Bernice Johnson moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$ 13,236. The motion was seconded by Karen Woodbury and voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 3:** John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. The motion was seconded by Stuart Hodgeman and voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 4:** Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Heather Meeks asked why the 10,000 increase. Stuart Hodgeman commented that we are keeping equipment longer than 12 years and that the maintenance may increase on these items. The motion was seconded by Bob Maslan and voted on in the affirmative

**Article 5:** Nate Cass moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Bernice Johnson and voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 6:** Doug Hackett moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Dale Rook and voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 7:** Stuart Hodgeman moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded



by Merilynn Bourne. The motion was voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 8:** Bernice Johnson moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Karen Woodbury. The motion was voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 9:** Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Ruth Rollins. The motion was voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 10:** Stuart Hodgeman moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$471,896 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$ 384,484 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and the balance of \$87,412 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special Maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. Heather Meeks asked about the increase. Stuart stated that the increase is in the salary of the Highway Crew, "They do a great job and we want to keep them". Several Town People expressed their thanks and praises for doing an excellent job on the Bridges and roads in town.  
A round of applause was given to the Highway Crew.  
The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 11:** Stuart Hodgeman moved that the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 to perform data verification (list and measure) of our property values and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw the amount from the Appraisal Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted on in the affirmative.

- Article 12:** Carla Skinder moved to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town forest and to authorize the expenditures of gifts, grants, or proceeds from the maintenance fund for the purpose. No part of this appropriation will come from tax dollars. Judy Rook seconded this motion and voted on in the affirmative.
- Article 13:** Nate Cass moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000 to make improvements to the driveway at the Police Station and Fire Station 1 on Town House Road. Bob Maslan seconded this motion and voted on in the informative.
- Article 14:** Fred Sullivan moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$10,000 for Highway bridgework and repair with said monies to come from the NH Department of Transportation. No part of this appropriation will come from tax dollars. Cheston Newbold seconded this motion and was voted on in the affirmative.
- Article 15:** Stuart Hodgeman made a motion to amend the amount of the truck to \$113,000. The additional money is for and extended warranty on the truck. Bill Caterino seconded. The vote to amend was voted on in the affirmative. The main motion was then voted for the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$113,000 for the purchase of a new Dump Truck for the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Any funds to be derived from the sale or trade-in of the Town's existing equipment are to be used to offset the withdrawn amount. Michael Fuerst seconded this motion and was voted on in the affirmative.
- Article 16:** Bob Maslan made a motion to pass over this article. Bernice Johnson expressed how important it was to have the school children at the Memorial Day Service in the Flat. Ruth Rollins agreed with her stating that we should not change because everyone else celebrates it on a different day. The motion was seconded by Cheston Newbold. The vote was in the affirmative to pass over the article.



**Article 17:** Bill Gallagher moved to see if the Town will vote to create an Agricultural Commission consisting of five (5) members appointed by the selectman, for the purpose of protecting agricultural land, preserving rural character and encouraging agriculture based businesses. Bill Gallagher presented a floor display promoting the Agricultural Commission. Several Town people: Robert Rice, Bill Harthan, Bill Wall, Everett Cass, Cheston Newbold were not in favor of this because of the unknown future of where this could go and make it harder for the farmer if the state intervenes. Bill Caterino stated that the Selectman will have no say in how the funds are spent. Only the committee members will decide where and how it is spent. We do not need another committee like that in town. Peter Burling did a voice vote the vote was in the negative. The chair was challenged and a hand count was taken.

The vote was: 25- YES 62- NO

**Article 18:** John Hammond moved to see if the Town will authorize prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a. Bill Caterino seconded and was voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 19:** Bill Caterino moved to hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto. Bob Maslan seconded and was voted on in the affirmative.

**Article 20:** Transact other Business to legally come before this meeting:

Gabe Zoerhiede, chairman of the Conservation Commission, presented the yearly award. This year the award was given to Grace Bulkeley for her donation of 700 plus acres to the Conservation easement.

John Hammond presented Stuart Hodgeman with a plaque honoring his many years of service to the Town of Cornish. John mentioned that Stuart is honest, straight and frugal. We are very fortunate to have his insight to the Town of Cornish. He comes from a long history of family serving the Town of Cornish. Allie Hodgedon commented on Stuart being a good man for the Town of Cornish

**Surveyors of Wood Bark and Lumber:** Nominations were open; Ruth Rollins moved that the same slate be reinstated. Cheston Newbold seconded and was a vote in the affirmative.

Gwynn Gallagher  
Jim Fitch  
Reyer Jaarsma  
Fred Weld

Leo Maslan  
Richard Thompson  
James Neil

**Hog Reeves:** Nominations were open; Merilynn Bourne moved to accept the following slate. Karen Woodbury seconded and voted on in the affirmative.

Christopher & Christal Chilton  
Chuck & Mandy Sullivan  
Andrew and Loretta Kuhre  
Cheston Jr. & Christine Newbold

**Fence Viewers:** Merilynn Bourne motioned to accept the following slate and was seconded by Polly Rand and voted on in the affirmative.

Henry Homeyer  
Leo Maslan  
Don Snowden

Bill Gallagher  
John Woodhull

Bob Maslan moved to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at 2:41pm. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and voted on in the affirmative.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula R. Harthan, Town Clerk



## Statement of Revenues 2008 Budget

	2008 Final	2008 Actual	Estimate Over(Under)	2009 Proposed	Proposed Over(Under)
<b>TAXES</b>					
Land Use Change Taxes	0	0	0	0	0
Yield Taxes	10,000	0	(10,000)	12,000	2,000
Paymt in Lieu of Taxes	211	211	0	211	0
Interest & Penalty on Taxes	18,000	29,452	11,452	24,000	6,000
Excavation Tax	531	531	0	500	(31)
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</b>					
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	270,000	265,415	(4,585)	240,000	(30,000)
Building Permits	2,000	1,180	(820)	1,000	(1,000)
Dog Licenses and Fines	2,000	1,969	(31)	2,000	0
Other Permits and Fees	300	160	(140)	200	(100)
<b>STATE OF NH &amp; FEDERAL</b>					
Shared Revenues-Rooms	76,277	76,277	0	76,277	0
Shared Revenue-BPT	11,939	11,939	0	11,939	0
Highway Block Grant	87,412	87,111	(301)	90,003	2,591
Bridge Aid	19,478	19,479	1	0	(19,478)
Railroad Tax & Other	802	802	0	802	0
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>					
Zoning Board Fees	1,000	45	(955)	100	(900)
Planning Board Fees	2,000	1,551	(449)	1,000	(1,000)
Zoning/Subdivision Reg. Sale	100	61	(39)	100	0
Cemetery	0	0	0	0	0
Burial Fees	500	1,180	680	500	0
Highway Dept. Income	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0
Police Dept. Income	11,000	9,004	(1,996)	9,000	(2,000)
Fire Dept. Income	50	11	(39)	50	0
Recycling Income	5,000	4,207	(793)	0	(5,000)
<b>MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES</b>					
Sale of Town Property	0	0	0	0	0
Insurance Dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Rental of Town Property	1,500	1,150	(350)	1,000	(500)
Interest on Investments	22,000	18,235	(3,765)	10,000	(12,000)
Town Forest	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0
Other Sources	16,000	17,786	1,786	10,000	(6,000)
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>					
Trust & Special Revenue	5,175	14,397	9,222	2,175	(3,000)
Capital Reserve Funds	121,000	107,285	(13,715)	104,753	(16,247)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>					
Use of Fund Balance	14,000	14,000	0	0	(14,000)
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>700,775</b>	<b>683,437</b>	<b>(17,337)</b>	<b>600,110</b>	<b>(100,665)</b>

**2008 Budget  
General Fund Balance Sheet**

	December 2008	December 2007
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Short Term Investments	1,087,993	1,262,653
Petty Cash	300	300
Uncollected Property Taxes	228,180	196,602
Uncollected Land Use Taxes	0	0
Uncollected Yield Taxes	0	911
Uncollected Excavation Taxes	0	0
Unredeemed Taxes	48,291	60,590
Allowance for Tax Refunds	(29,848)	(32,283)
Accounts Receivables	0	98
Due from Trust Funds	8,000	0
Prepaid Expenses	4,832	0
Deeded Property Held for Resale	15,028	0
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,362,776</b>	<b>1,488,871</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
Accounts Payable	0	0
Due to Conservation Fund	21,869	38,322
Due to School District	863,318	949,955
Due to Town Forest	448	100
Retirement Withholding	3,358	0
Deferred Tax Revenue	5,850	620
Reserve for Deeded Property	15,028	0
Fund Balance:		
Reserved for Encumbrances	2,907	44,415
Undesignated	449,998	455,459
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>1,362,776</b>	<b>1,488,871</b>

Source MS-5 Part 2



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<b>TOWN GOVERNMENT</b>					
Town Office	64,107	59,628	(4,479)	68,025	3,918
Tax Collector	12,705	12,130	(575)	12,315	(390)
Town Clerk	13,985	15,127	1,142	12,865	(1,120)
Elections	8,159	6,067	(2,092)	2,805	(5,354)
Audit	8,000	7,100	(900)	8,000	0
Appraisal Fees	5,000	9,459	4,459	8,000	3,000
Legal	5,000	2,300	(2,700)	5,000	0
Planning Board	3,720	2,420	(1,301)	2,520	(1,200)
Zoning Board	970	112	(858)	650	(320)
Buildings	29,425	22,964	(6,461)	26,915	(2,510)
Cemeteries	22,909	23,302	393	19,125	(3,784)
Insurance	43,000	48,279	5,279	49,000	6,000
Regional Assoc	1,978	1,978	0	1,978	0
Records Preservation	1,900	0	(1,900)	0	(1,900)
Spirit Comm	1,000	542	(458)	500	(500)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>221,858</b>	<b>211,406</b>	<b>(10,452)</b>	<b>217,698</b>	<b>(4,160)</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
Police Dept	63,367	63,077	(290)	56,935	(6,432)
Ambulance	18,345	18,345	0	18,345	0
Fire Dept	32,650	35,590	2,940	30,650	(2,000)
Emergency Mgmt	50	0	(50)	50	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114,412</b>	<b>117,012</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>105,980</b>	<b>(8,432)</b>
<b>HIGHWAY DEPT</b>					
Class V Roads	471,896	468,950	(2,946)	433,532	(38,364)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>471,896</b>	<b>468,950</b>	<b>(2,946)</b>	<b>433,532</b>	<b>(38,364)</b>
<b>SANITATION</b>					
Septage	2,500	2,492	(8)	2,500	0
Recycling	9,000	9,390	390	9,000	0
Hazardous Waste	1,500	697	(803)	1,500	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>12,578</b>	<b>(422)</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES</b>					
	15,050	15,209	159	16,050	1,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,050</b>	<b>15,209</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>16,050</b>	<b>1,000</b>

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<b>COMMUNITY &amp; RECREATION</b>					
Parks & CREA Land	6,370	6,370	0	6,370	0
Memorial Day	750	895	145	750	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>7,265</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CONSERVATION</b>					
Conservation Comm	900	970	70	800	(100)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>(100)</b>
<b>INTEREST</b>					
Notes	2,000	0	(2,000)	2,000	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2,000)</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS</b>					
Library Fund	13,236	13,367	0	13,229	(7)
Conservation	5,000	5,000	0	4,500	(500)
Highway Capital	45,000	45,000	0	45,000	0
Fire Capital	22,000	22,000	0	22,000	0
Police Capital	4,000	4,000	0	4,000	0
Appraisal Capital	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0
Library Capital	12,000	12,000	0	2,000	(10,000)
Bridge Capital	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>121,236</b>	<b>121,367</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,729</b>	<b>(10,507)</b>
<b>Encumbered to 2008</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		
<b>TOTAL before ART.</b>	<b>967,472</b>	<b>954,757</b>	<b>(12,916)</b>	<b>906,909</b>	<b>(60,563)</b>
<b>ARTICLES</b>					
Article 11 2008	8,000	8,000	0	0	(8,000)
Article 12 2008	1,500	348	(1,152)	0	(1,500)
Article 13 2008	14,000	14,000	0	0	(14,000)
Article 14 2008	10,000	10,000	0	0	(10,000)
Article 15 2008	113,000	107,285	(5,715)	0	(113,000)
Article 10	0	0	0	40,000	40,000
Article 12	0	0	0	44,700	44,700
Article 13	0	0	0	19,953	19,953
Article 14	0	0	0	1,500	1,500
Article 19	0	0	0	100	100
<b>TOTAL ART.</b>	<b>146,500</b>	<b>139,633</b>	<b>(6,867)</b>	<b>106,253</b>	<b>(40,247)</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,113,972</b>	<b>1,094,390</b>	<b>(19,783)</b>	<b>1,013,162</b>	<b>(100,810)</b>

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	2008 Final Approp	2008 Actual Expend	2008 Over (Under)	2009 Proposed Budget	2009 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
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**(a) TOWN OFFICE**

Salaries	40,907	36,398	(4,509)	35,500	(5,407)	-13%
Salary - Treasurer	1,200	1,200	0	1,200	0	0%
Salary - Dep Treas	100	100	0	100	0	0%
FICA	2,600	2,247	(353)	2,200	(400)	-15%
Medicare	675	526	(149)	600	(75)	-11%
Medical Ins. - Town	0	0	0	12,000	12,000	0%
Retirement	0	0	0			
Advertising	450	0	(450)	250	(200)	-44%
Memberships	1,300	1,255	(45)	1,300	0	0%
Postage	1,000	653	(347)	800	(200)	-20%
Software Leases	3,700	1,505	(2,195)	3,000	(700)	-19%
Copier Lease	2,400	2,206	(194)	2,400	0	0%
Computer Expense	1,000	4,302	3,302	1,000	0	0%
Office Supplies	2,000	2,272	272	1,750	(250)	-13%
Town Report	3,000	2,931	(69)	2,500	(500)	-17%
Mileage	3,300	3,053	(247)	3,000	(300)	-9%
Training & Educ	300	312	12	300	0	0%
Registry of Deeds	75	(21)	(96)	75	0	0%
Misc Expense	<u>100</u>	<u>688</u>	<u>588</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>(50)</u>	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>64,107</b>	<b>59,628</b>	<b>(4,479)</b>	<b>68,025</b>	<b>3,918</b>	<b>6%</b>

**(b) TAX COLLECTOR**

Salary	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	0	0%
Salary - Dep Tax Coll.	600	825	225	600	0	0%
FICA	400	454	54	460	60	15%
Medicare	125	106	(19)	125	0	0%
Memberships	25	20	(5)	25	0	0%
Postage	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0%
Software Leases	1,505	1,505	0	1,505	0	0%
Computer Expense	200	180	(20)	200	0	0%
Office supplies	500	286	(214)	400	(100)	-20%
Mileage	350	326	(24)	350	0	0%
Training&Educ	500	140	(360)	200	(300)	-60%
Tax Lien & Deed Fees	1,200	1,112	(88)	1,200	0	0%
Registry of Deeds	200	190	(10)	200	0	0%
Misc Expense	<u>100</u>	<u>(14)</u>	<u>(114)</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>(50)</u>	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,705</b>	<b>12,130</b>	<b>(575)</b>	<b>12,315</b>	<b>(390)</b>	<b>-3%</b>



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<b>(c) TOWN CLERK</b>						
Salary	1,800	1,755	(45)	1,800	0	0%
Salary - Dep T. Clerk	600	360	(240)	600	0	0%
FICA	1,000	970	(30)	1,000	0	0%
Medicare	250	227	(23)	250	0	0%
Memberships	25	20	(5)	25	0	0%
Postage	700	929	229	700	0	0%
Software Leases	2,000	2,560	560	2,500	500	25%
Computer Expense	2,500	850	(1,650)	1,000	(1,500)	-60%
Office Supplies	500	362	(138)	400	(100)	-20%
Reference Books	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dog Licenses	110	247	137	140	30	27%
Mileage	500	500	(0)	500	0	0%
Training & Education	500	270	(230)	500	0	0%
Motor Vehicles	3,300	4,178	878	3,300	0	0%
Marriage Lic. Fees	20	456	436	20	0	0%
Fish & Game Fees	20	1,086	1,066	20	0	0%
Title Fees	20	(80)	(100)	20	0	0%
Wetland fees	20	250	230	20	0	0%
Validation Fee	20	25	5	20	0	0%
Misc Expense	<u>100</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>(50)</u>	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,985</b>	<b>15,127</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>12,865</b>	<b>(1,120)</b>	<b>-8%</b>
<b>(d) ELECTIONS</b>						
Salaries	6,800	5,392	(1,408)	2,000	(4,800)	-71%
FICA	50	26	(24)	50	0	0%
Medicare	25	6	(19)	25	0	0%
Advertising	300	180	(120)	100	(200)	-67%
Postage	41	59	18	30	(11)	-27%
Computer Expense	(1,750)	0	1,750	250	2,000	-114%
Office Supplies	2,100	123	(1,977)	100	(2,000)	-95%
Election Expenses	100	0	(100)	50	(50)	-50%
Mileage	243	311	68	100	(143)	-59%
Misc Expense	150	0	(150)	50	(100)	-67%
Vitals - State	0	(19)	(19)	0	0	0%
Vitals-Town clerk	<u>100</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(111)</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>(50)</u>	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,159</b>	<b>6,067</b>	<b>(2,092)</b>	<b>2,805</b>	<b>(5,354)</b>	<b>-66%</b>

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<b>(e) . AUDIT</b>						
Audit	<u>8,000</u>	<u>7,100</u>	<u>(900)</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>7,100</b>	<b>(900)</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>(f) REVALUATION</b>						
Appraisal Fees	<u>5,000</u>	<u>9,459</u>	<u>4,459</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	60%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>9,459</b>	<b>4,459</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>(g) LEGAL</b>						
Legal Expense	<u>5,000</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>(2,700)</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>(2,700)</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>(h) PLANNING BOARD</b>						
Salaries	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0%
FICA	100	152	52	100	0	0%
Medicare	20	36	16	20	0	0%
Advertising	1,500	511	(989)	600	(900)	-60%
Postage	600	480	(120)	500	(100)	-17%
Mileage	100	47	(53)	50	(50)	-50%
Training & Educ	300	95	(205)	150	(150)	-50%
Misc Expense	<u>100</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,720</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>(1,301)</b>	<b>2,520</b>	<b>(1,200)</b>	<b>-32%</b>
<b>(i) ZONING BOARD</b>						
Salaries	420	0	(420)	300	(120)	-29%
FICA	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Medicare	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Advertising	150	112	(38)	100	(50)	-33%
Postage	300	0	(300)	150	(150)	-50%
Mileage	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Training & Educ	50	0	(50)	50	0	0%
Misc Expense	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(50)</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>(858)</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>(320)</b>	<b>-33%</b>

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	2008 Final Approp	2008 Actual Expend	2008 Over (Under)	2009 Proposed Budget	2009 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(j) BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>						
<b>TOWN OFFICES</b>						
Salaries	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	0	0%
FICA	350	86	(264)	100	(250)	-71%
Medicare	90	20	(70)	30	(60)	-67%
Electricity	2,000	1,672	(328)	2,000	0	0%
Heat	3,100	2,495	(605)	3,000	(100)	-3%
Telephone	3,100	2,121	(979)	2,300	(800)	-26%
Internet	900	823	(77)	900	0	0%
Building Maintenance	3,000	1,617	(1,383)	2,000	(1,000)	-33%
Cleaning	975	675	(300)	500	(475)	-49%
Rugs	600	571	(29)	600	0	0%
Water	300	337	37	150	(150)	-50%
Maintenance Supplies	<u>300</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>(205)</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>(100)</u>	-33%
<b>subtotal</b>	<b>20,715</b>	<b>16,513</b>	<b>(4,202)</b>	<b>17,780</b>	<b>(2,935)</b>	<b>-14%</b>
<b>TOWN HALL</b>						
Salaries	1,500	400	(1,100)	1,000	(500)	-33%
FICA	25	25	0	25	0	0%
Medicare	10	10	0	10	0	0%
Electricity	2,200	3,508	1,308	3,500	1,300	59%
Heat	3,100	683	(2,417)	3,100	0	0%
Trash	875	475	(400)	500	(375)	-43%
Building Maintenance	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,350</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>subtotal</b>	<b>8,710</b>	<b>6,451</b>	<b>(2,259)</b>	<b>9,135</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,425</b>	<b>22,964</b>	<b>(6,461)</b>	<b>26,915</b>	<b>(2,510)</b>	<b>-9%</b>
<b>(k) CEMETERIES</b>						
Salaries	12,224	11,339	(885)	11,500	(724)	-6%
FICA	1,100	1,045	(55)	527	(573)	-52%
Medicare	260	244	(16)	123	(137)	-53%
Tools	500	499	(1)	500	0	0%
Gasoline	950	778	(172)	950	0	0%
Diesel	250	155	(95)	250	0	0%
Hired Equipment	500	571	71	500	0	0%
Miscellaneous	100	235	135	100	0	0%
Cemetery Vehicle	350	848	498	1,000	650	186%
Equipment Repair	500	342	(158)	500	0	0%
Maintenance Supplies	500	925	425	500	0	0%
Perpetual Care	5,000	5,141	141	2,000	(3,000)	-60%
Sanderson Fund	175	400	225	175	0	0%
Tree Removal	0	245	245	0	0	0%
Burial Expenses	500	535	35	500	0	0%
Headstone Cleaning	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22,909</b>	<b>23,302</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>19,125</b>	<b>(3,784)</b>	<b>-17%</b>



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	2008 Final Approp	2008 Actual Expend	2008 Over (Under)	2009 Proposed Budget	2009 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(l) INSURANCE</b>						
Property & Liability	<u>43,000</u>	<u>48,279</u>	<u>5,279</u>	<u>49,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>	14%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43,000</b>	<b>48,279</b>	<b>5,279</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>(m) REGIONAL ASSOC.</b>						
UVLSRPC Retainer	<u>1978</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>(n) TOWN RECORDS</b>						
Records Preservation	<u>1,900</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,900)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,900)</u>	-100%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1,900)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1,900)</b>	<b>-100%</b>
<b>(o) SPIRIT COMMITTEE</b>						
Spirit Project	<u>1,000</u>	<u>542</u>	<u>(458)</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>(500)</u>	-50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>(458)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>(500)</b>	<b>-50%</b>
<b>(p) POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>						
Salaries	31,380	29,282	(2,098)	26,000	(5,380)	-17%
Salaries - Special	6,500	6,500	(0)	6,500	0	0%
FICA	2,107	2,003	(104)	1,600	(507)	-24%
Medicare	525	468	(57)	525	0	0%
Postage	30	42	12	30	0	0%
Computer Expense	1,675	1,425	(250)	1,500	(175)	-10%
Office Supplies	300	279	(21)	300	0	0%
Training & Educ	700	345	(355)	700	0	0%
Telephone	2,100	3,131	1,031	2,000	(100)	-5%
Internet	1,200	1,138	(62)	840	(360)	-30%
Heat	800	0	(800)	800	0	0%
Transcription Services	250	78	(172)	100	(150)	-60%
Uniforms	1,500	758	(742)	300	(1,200)	-80%
Equipment	400	164	(236)	1,100	700	175%
Dispatch	8,350	8,442	92	8,390	40	0%
Gasoline	1,500	2,222	722	1,500	0	0%
Contracted Services	1,500	1,500	0	2,250	750	50%
Misc Expense	100	0	(100)	50	(50)	-50%
Equipment Repair	500	429	(71)	500	0	0%
Radios	450	554	104	450	0	0%
Building Maintenance	500	2,642	2,142	500	0	0%
Vehicle Maintenance	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,673</u>	<u>673</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63,367</b>	<b>63,077</b>	<b>(290)</b>	<b>56,935</b>	<b>(6,432)</b>	<b>-10%</b>

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	2008 Final Approp	2008 Actual Expend	2008 Over (Under)	2009 Proposed Budget	2009 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(q) AMBULANCE</b>						
Windsor	10,760	10,760	0	10,760	0	0%
Golden Cross	<u>7,585</u>	<u>7,585</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,585</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,345</b>	<b>18,345</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,345</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>

**(r) FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Subscriptions	75	0	(75)	75	0	0%
Memberships	400	350	(50)	400	0	0%
Postage	50	0	(50)	50	0	0%
Mileage	150	0	(150)	150	0	0%
Training & Educ	200	0	(200)	200	0	0%
Telephone	900	1,852	952	900	0	0%
Electricity-Route 120	500	568	68	500	0	0%
Electricity-Town House	2,000	1,915	(85)	2,000	0	0%
Heat-Route 120	1,500	2,296	796	1,500	0	0%
Heat-Town House	1,600	1,684	84	1,600	0	0%
Fire Equipment	1,000	13	(987)	500	(500)	-50%
Protective Gear	500	0	(500)	500	0	0%
Pagers	1,000	6,050	5,050	1,000	0	0%
Hose	2,000	0	(2,000)	1,000	(1,000)	-50%
Forest Fire	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0%
Dispatch	7,000	7,919	919	7,000	0	0%
Gasoline	450	176	(274)	450	0	0%
Diesel	1,000	2,630	1,630	1,000	0	0%
Misc. Expense	150	563	413	150	0	0%
Equipment Repair	1,000	1,027	27	1,000	0	0%
Radios	1,000	20	(980)	500	(500)	-50%
Maintenance-Sta 1	1,000	3,565	2,565	1,000	0	0%
Maintenance-Sta 2	250	683	433	250	0	0%
Engine 1	2,000	1,414	(586)	2,000	0	0%
Engine 2	2,000	896	(1,104)	2,000	0	0%
Engine 3	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0%
Tanker	400	751	351	400	0	0%
Utility Truck	1,525	196	(1,329)	1,525	0	0%
SCBA	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,022</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32,650</b>	<b>35,590</b>	<b>2,940</b>	<b>30,650</b>	<b>(2,000)</b>	<b>-6%</b>

**(s) EMERGENCY MGT.**

	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(50)</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>

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	<b>2008 Final Approp</b>	<b>2008 Actual Expend</b>	<b>2008 Over (Under)</b>	<b>2009 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>2009 Increase (Decrease)</b>	
<b>HIGHWAY</b>						
Salaries	170,082	171,908	1,826	170,082	0	0%
Salaries-Part Time	3,600	1,487	(2,113)	2,500	(1,100)	-31%
Salaries-Overtime	16,000	19,977	3,977	18,000	2,000	13%
FICA	12,000	11,950	(50)	12,000	0	0%
Medicare	2,250	2,791	541	2,800	550	24%
Retirement	14,864	17,755	2,891	17,800	2,936	20%
Medical Ins -Town	40,000	30,698	(9,302)	30,000	(10,000)	-25%
CDL testing	400	102	(298)	200	(200)	-50%
Advertising	500	0	(500)	250	(250)	-50%
Training & Educ	500	527	27	500	0	0%
Telephone	700	900	200	700	0	0%
Electricity	2,500	1,963	(537)	2,500	0	0%
Heat	3,200	2,260	(940)	2,500	(700)	-22%
Uniforms	1,500	916	(584)	1,500	0	0%
Permits	1,000	590	(410)	1,000	0	0%
Gasoline	900	202	(698)	900	0	0%
Diesel	34,000	47,508	13,508	34,000	0	0%
Oil & Lubricants	2,500	3,294	794	2,500	0	0%
Asphalt & Tar	49,000	50,144	1,144	20,000	(29,000)	-59%
Gravel	25,000	15,575	(9,425)	30,000	5,000	20%
Sand	12,000	11,133	(867)	15,000	3,000	25%
Salt	2,000	2,627	627	3,000	1,000	50%
Culverts	8,000	6,626	(1,374)	6,000	(2,000)	-25%
Guard Rails	1,000	1,514	514	1,000	0	0%
Road Supplies	11,500	8,661	(2,839)	10,000	(1,500)	-13%
Shop Supplies	4,000	1,307	(2,694)	2,500	(1,500)	-38%
Hired Equipment	23,000	21,720	(1,280)	15,000	(8,000)	-35%
Trash	700	295	(405)	600	(100)	-14%
Plows,Chains,Blades	2,500	4,285	1,785	4,000	1,500	60%
Sanders	1,000	354	(646)	1,000	0	0%
2003 Ford Pickup	2,500	2,516	16	2,500	0	0%
2002 Truck	3,500	10,281	6,781	3,500	0	0%
2009 Truck	5,500	3,168	(2,332)	5,500	0	0%
2005 Truck	2,500	3,033	533	2,500	0	0%
1999 Loader	3,000	4,168	1,168	3,000	0	0%
2002 Grader	4,000	1,816	(2,184)	4,000	0	0%
Allis Chalmers	1,000	130	(870)	1,000	0	0%
Sweeper	1,000	526	(474)	1,000	0	0%
Insurance Reimb	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Radios	200	815	615	200	0	0%
Building Maintenance	<u>2,500</u>	<u>3,428</u>	928	<u>2,500</u>	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>471,896</b>	<b>468,950</b>	<b>(2,946)</b>	<b>433,532</b>	<b>(38,364)</b>	<b>-8%</b>



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	<b>2008 Final Approp</b>	<b>2008 Actual Expend</b>	<b>2008 Over (Under)</b>	<b>2009 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>2009 Increase (Decrease)</b>	
<b>SANITATION</b>						
(f) Septage	2,500	2,492	(8)	2,500	0	0%
(u) Recycling	9,000	9,390	390	9,000	0	0%
(v) Hazardous Waste	<u>1,500</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>(803)</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>0</u>	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>12,578</b>	<b>(422)</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>(w) HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b>						
Health & Human Srvc.	50	40	(10)	50	0	0%
Animal Control	480	463	(17)	480	0	0%
VNA & Hospice	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0%
Sullivan Cty Hospice	250	250	0	250	0	0%
SW Comm Serv	500	500	0	500	0	0%
Volunteers in Action	600	600	0	600	0	0%
West Central Services	1,870	1,870	0	1,870	0	0%
CT Valley Home Care	2,500	2,500	0	2,500	0	0%
Meals on Wheels	300	300	0	300	0	0%
Grafton Co. Sr Citizen	600	600	0	600	0	0%
Cornish Rescue Squad	4,400	4,400	0	4,400	0	0%
General Assistance	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,686</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	40%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,050</b>	<b>15,209</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>16,050</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; RECREATION</b>						
(x) Parks & CREA Lands	6,370	6,370	0	6,370	0	0%
(y) Memorial Day	<u>750</u>	<u>895</u>	145	<u>750</u>	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>7,265</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>CONSERVATION</b>						
(z) Conservation Comm	900	970	70	800	(100)	-11%
<b>(z1) INTEREST</b>						
Notes	2000	0	(2,000)	2000	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>846,236</b>	<b>833,390</b>	<b>(12,846)</b>	<b>796,180</b>	<b>(50,056)</b>	<b>-6%</b>

## 2008 Salaries and Wages

	FTE/HRS	WKS	2008 Wage
<b>TOWN OFFICE</b>			
Bourne Merilynn		53	2,132
Caterino, Bill	4	53	1,200
Hammond, John		53	2,022
Harthan, Paula		53	15,179
Hodgeman, Stuart		10	562
Jones, Keith		43	1,242
Kolenberg, Marge	40	19	13,464
Sweetser, Reigh		53	7,607
Hier, Anne			1,984
Ayers, Samantha	40	26	13,561
<b>CEMETERIES</b>			
Abbott, George	24	26	8,489
Earle, Albert	24		1,556
Rawson, John	24	26	8,572
<b>POLICE</b>			
Beaudry, Gerry			1093
Hackett, Doug			20,887
Roberts, Paul			989
Stevens, Corey			7,103
Swett, Anthony			1,657
<b>HIGHWAY</b>			
Gilbert, Roger	40	53	38,196
Flynn, Daniel	40	53	46,491
Rheaume, Paul	40	29	17,468
Lord, Neil	40	24	18,596
McNamara, John	40	53	37,925
Spaulding, Gary	40	53	33,268
<b>LIBRARY</b>			
Cromwell, Emily	10	53	6,212
Lawrence, Dale	6	53	2,102
<b>RECYCLING</b>			
Rook, Dale	5	53	2,080
Aldrich, George	5	53	2,130
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>313,767</b>

## 2008 Budget Summary of Inventory Valuation

	2008 Acres	2008 Assessed Valuation	2007 Acres	2007 Assessed Valuation
<b>Value of Land Only</b>				
In Current Use at				
Current Use Values	20861.07	2,712,604	21,251	2,669,536
Conservation Restriction	1955.85	230,369	1,561	164,924
Residential	2867.128	57,073,300	2,864	56,729,400
Commerical/Industrial	5.53	570,300	5	515,300
<b>TOTAL OF TAX LAND</b>	<b>25689.578</b>	<b>60,586,573</b>	<b>25,680</b>	<b>60,079,160</b>
<b>Value of Buildings Only</b>				
Residential		114,665,510		112,176,310
Manufactured Housing		2,822,100		2,717,900
Commerical/Industrial		1,216,800		1,007,500
Discretionary Preservation		28,590		28,590
<b>TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS</b>		<b>118,733,000</b>		<b>115,930,300</b>
<b>Public Utilities - Electric</b>				
Granite State Electric		234,800		234,800
New England Power		1,515,200		1,515,200
New Hampshire Electric Co-op		961,000		961,000
Public Service of NH & VT		1,163,900		1,343,400
Central VT Public Service		179,500		
TransCanada Hydro NorhtEast		1,000		
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC UTILITIES</b>		<b>4,055,400</b>		<b>4,054,400</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL VALUATION</b>				
<b>BEFORE EXEMPTION</b>		<b>183,374,973</b>		<b>180,063,860</b>
<b>Less Exemptions:</b>				
Blind(2)		(30,000)		(30,000)
Elderly (23)		(1,410,000)		(1,335,000)
Disabled (1)		(25,000)		(25,000)
<b>NET VALUATION ON WHICH</b>				
<b>TAX RATE IS COMPUTED</b>		<b>181,909,973</b>		<b>178,673,860</b>
<b>ACRES IN CURRENT USE</b>				
Farm Land	2255.32	674,194		2,310
Forest Land	18272.4	2,034,190		18,606
Unproductive Land	175.21	2,274		175
Wetland	158.14	1,946		163
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE</b>	<b>20861.07</b>	<b>2,712,604</b>		<b>21,254</b>

Source MS-1



**Town of Cornish  
2008 Tax Computation**

	2009E	2,008	2,007
Total Town Appropriations	1,013,162	1,113,972	988,827
Add: Allowance for Refunds & Abatements	15,000	15,415	18,261
War Service Credits:			
Disabled Veterans @ \$1400	0	0	0
All Other Veterans @ \$500	47,000	47,000	46,500
Deduct: Non-Property Tax Town Revenues	(600,110)	(700,775)	(614,879)
State Shared Revenues	(9,090)	(9,090)	(9,090)
<b>Town Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>465,962</b>	<b>466,522</b>	<b>429,619</b>
Local School Tax Assessment	3,121,803	2,961,975	2,803,612
Deduct: State Shared Revenues	(739,783)	(718,657)	(718,657)
State Education Taxes	(422,651)	(443,777)	(388,488)
<b>Local School Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>1,959,369</b>	<b>1,799,541</b>	<b>1,696,467</b>
<b>State Education Tax</b>	<b>422,651</b>	<b>443,777</b>	<b>388,488</b>
County Tax Assessment	505,309	505,309	437,405
Deduct: State Shared Revenues	(3,928)	(3,928)	(3,928)
<b>County Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>501,381</b>	<b>501,381</b>	<b>433,477</b>
<b>TOTAL PROP TAXES TO BE RAISED</b>	<b>3,349,363</b>	<b>3,211,221</b>	<b>2,948,051</b>
Assessed Valuation	181,894,973	181,894,973	178,673,860
Assessed Valuation without Utilities	177,839,573	177,839,573	174,619,460
<b>TOTAL TAX RATE</b>			
<b>PER \$1000 OF VALUATION</b>	<b>18.47</b>	<b>17.71</b>	<b>16.55</b>
<b>TAX RATE BREAKDOWN</b>	<b>2009E</b>	<b>2,008</b>	<b>2,007</b>
Town Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.56	2.56	2.41
School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	10.77	9.89	9.49
State School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.38	2.50	2.22
County Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.76	2.76	2.43
<b>TOTAL RATE</b>	<b>18.47</b>	<b>17.71</b>	<b>16.55</b>

**Tax Collector's Report  
Year Ending 12/31/2008**

	2008	2007
Uncollected Taxes - Start of Year		
Property Taxes		\$196,601.73
Yield Tax		\$911.30
Taxes Committed This Year		
Property Taxes	\$3,170,816	
Land Use Change	\$24,031.00	
Excavation Tax	\$531.44	
Overpayments		
From Prior Year	(\$619.88)	
Credits Refunded	\$5,472	
This Years' Credits	(\$11,322.31)	
Interest	\$3,082.05	\$13,534.15
Total Debits	\$3,191,990.30	\$211,047.54
Remitted to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$2,937,497.92	\$118,263.99
Land Use Chage Tax	\$21,869	
Timber Yield Tax		\$152.05
Interest	\$3,082.05	\$13,534.51
Excavation Tax	\$531.44	
Prior Year Overpmts	(\$619.88)	
Converted To Lien		\$72,392.99
Abatements		
Property Taxes	\$1,810	\$68.00
Land Use	\$2,162	
Deeded Property	\$3,328	\$6,636.00
Uncollected At The End Of The Year		
Property Taxes	\$228,180.08	
Land Use Change		
Yield Tax		
Remaining Over-payments	(\$5,850.31)	
Total Credits	\$3,191,990.30	\$211,047.54

I hereby certify that the above accounting is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Reigh H. Sweetser, Tax Collector

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT  
SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

**LIENS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR**

	2007	2006	2005+
Unredeemed		\$ 37,144.17	\$ 23,446.11
Liens Executed	\$ 79,361.74		
Interest Collected	\$ 1,307.97	\$ 5,053.14	\$ 6,474.51
<b>Total Lien Debts</b>	<b>\$80,669.71</b>	<b>\$42,197.31</b>	<b>\$29,920.62</b>

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**COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR**

Redemptions	\$ 39,770.18	\$22,547.58	\$14,953.57
Interest Collected	\$ 1,307.97	\$ 5,053.14	\$ 6,474.51
Liens Deeded to Town		\$7,160.33	\$7,229.84
Abatements			
Balance At End Of Year	\$ 39,591.56	\$ 7,436.26	\$ 1,262.70
<b>Total Lien Credits</b>	<b>\$80,669.71</b>	<b>\$42,197.31</b>	<b>\$29,920.62</b>

I hereby Certify that the above accounting is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Reigh H. Sweetser  
Tax Collector



**Treasurer's Report**  
**year ending**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2008**

**Reconciliation - Citizens Bank Checking Account**

<b>Balance 12/31/2008</b>		<b>1,262,653.33</b>
Add Receipts:		
Tax Collector	3,268,133.33	
Selectmen	444,195.42	
Town Clerk	279,592.00	
<b>Total Available</b>		<b>5,254,574.08</b>
Less Payments During Year:		
School	2,367,455.00	
County	505,309.00	
Town	1,293,816.69	
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>4,166,580.69</b>
<b>Balance 12/31/2008</b>		<b>1,087,993.39</b>
<b>Bank Statement Balance 12/31/2008</b>		<b>89,732.77</b>

Add Deposits in Transit	143,487.28
Add Short Term Investments	941,784.79
Less Outstanding Vendor Checks	(80,340.17)
Less Outstanding Payroll Checks	(6,071.28)
Less Deposit Correction	(600.00)

**Checkbook Balance 12/31/2008** **1,087,993.39**

Special Funds in Custody of Treasurer-Invested in NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

	<b>Beginning Of Year</b>	<b>Add Receipts</b>	<b>Less Payments</b>	<b>End Of Year</b>
<b>Conservation Fund</b>	109,792.53	81,571.68	38,815.00	<b>152,549.21</b>
<b>CREA Fund</b>	8,999.18	221.61	345.47	<b>8,875.32</b>
<b>Rodney Palmer Fund</b>	16,038.98	394.20	0.00	<b>16,433.18</b>
<b>CREA Barn Fund</b>	8,824.35	2,417.01	1,508.39	<b>9,732.97</b>

Respectfully submitted  
William Caterino  
Town Treasurer

# Town of Cornish, NH Capital Reserve Funds 2008

Created	Fund Name	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Income	Expended	Year End Balance
1985	Appraisal	\$ 67,547.25	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 501.85		\$ 78,049.10
1995	Bridges	\$ 60,050.12	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 450.63		\$ 70,500.75
1970	Fire Truck	\$ 150,559.32	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 1,117.69		\$ 173,677.01
1967	Highway Equipment	\$ 111,162.49	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 910.32	\$ 107,285.19	\$ 49,787.62
2000	Library	\$ 59,164.42	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 452.62		\$ 71,617.04
1982	Police Cruiser	\$ 14,933.66	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 118.16		\$ 19,051.82
1979	School Bldg. Site Impr.	\$ 14,881.87	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 116.95		\$ 17,998.82
1986	School Block Fund	\$ 7,908.27		\$ 54.06		\$ 7,962.33
2002	School General Repairs	\$ 8,684.60	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 74.58		\$ 11,759.18
2002	School HVAC	\$ 20,489.14	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 155.26		\$ 23,644.40
2007	Spec Ed/HHS Tuition	\$ 30,399.89	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 222.96		\$ 33,622.85

**Totals** \$ 545,781.03 \$ 115,000.00 \$ 4,175.08 \$ 107,285.19 \$ 557,670.92

All funds are invested with Citizens Bank. The information contained in this report is accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
Prepared by Heather Meeks, Shirley Bladen and Willis Reed (Trustees of the Trust Funds)

# Town of Cornish, NH Trust Funds 2008

Created	Fund Name	Purpose	Principal			Income			Available Balance
			Beginning Balance	New Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Expended	
1987	Cornish Welfare	Charitable, Needy	\$ 3,518.54	\$ -	\$ 3,518.54	\$ 5,452.68	\$ 61.29		\$ 5,513.97
1989	Foss & Kimball	Charitable, Needy	\$ 5,096.04	\$ -	\$ 5,096.04	\$ 16,054.37	\$ 144.54		\$ 16,198.91
1971	M.J. Kenney	Charitable, Elderly	\$ 4,044.61	\$ -	\$ 4,044.61	\$ 7,553.15	\$ 79.25		\$ 7,632.40
1917	Stowell Library	Library	\$ 10,897.15	\$ -	\$ 10,897.15	\$ 4,948.29	\$ 98.52	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,546.81
1902	Mercer/Aid to Ed.	Scholarship/College	\$ 13,214.61	\$ -	\$ 13,214.61	\$ 70,380.20	\$ 565.22	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 69,445.42
1898	Public School	Scholarship	\$ 418.24	\$ -	\$ 418.24	\$ 1,147.24	\$ 10.70		\$ 1,157.94
1999	Queneau Scholarship	Scholarship/8th Grade	\$ 33,000.00	\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 2,508.48	\$ 242.67		\$ 2,751.15
1909	J. Foss/Flags	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,731.40	\$ -	\$ 1,731.40	\$ 5,640.76	\$ 50.38		\$ 5,691.14
1902	Beaman Guide Boards	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,173.06	\$ -	\$ 1,173.06	\$ 666.71	\$ 12.58		\$ 679.29
1985	Veterans' Memorial	Town, Upkeep	\$ 645.35	\$ -	\$ 645.35	\$ 792.05	\$ 9.81		\$ 801.86
<b>Various</b>	<b>Perpetual Care</b>	<b>Cemetery</b>	\$ 75,559.88	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 77,959.88	\$ 43,555.36	\$ 822.15	\$ 5,141.00	\$ 39,236.51
<i>Perpetual Care, New</i>									
2008	Evans, Loretta	Chase		\$ 400.00					
2008	Nutting, Peter	Childs		\$ 200.00					
2008	Fecteau, Leon	Comings		\$ 200.00					
2008	Cosseboom, Ralph & Lorri	Edminister		\$ 1,200.00					
2008	Fletcher, Justin	Edminister		\$ 200.00					
2008	Joyce, Richard	Trinity		\$ 200.00					

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 Prepared by Heather Meeks, Shirley Bladen and Willis Reed (Trustees of the Trust Funds)



**Marriages Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>GROOM'S NAME</b>	<b>RESIDENCE</b>	<b>BRIDES NAME</b>	<b>RESIDENCE</b>
01/18/08	Oldenburg, Earland L.	Cornish, NH	Weeks, Lynette L.	Cornish, NH
01/19/08	Mausolff, Christopher	Cornish, NH	Olivia Garcia, Lucero M.	Cornish, NH
03/05/08	Kuhre, Andrew G.	Cornish, NH	Reeves, Lioret G.	Lawton, OK
04/12/08	Bailey, John M.	Cornish, NH	Moore, Carol L.	Cornish, NH
04/19/08	Simonds, Thomas J.	Springfield, VT	Call, Sherry A	Cornish, NH
05/30/08	Zell, Dennis M.	South Bend, IN	White, Laura M.	Cornish, NH
06/28/08	Barker, James E.	Cornish, NH	Rice, Regina R.	Cornish, NH
07/04/08	Vessichio, Robert A.	Cornish, NH	Steinbeck, Elizabeth A.	Cornish, NH
07/05/08	Merritt, Daniel B.	W. Lebanon, NH	Oberkottler, Melissa L.	Cornish, NH
08/30/08	Zoerheide, Gabriel	Cornish, NH	Campbell, Hayley K.	Cornish, NH
09/13/08	Kinne, Joel T.	Cornish, NH	McConnell, Susan M.	Cornish, NH
10/12/08	Chichakly, Karim J.	Cornish, NH	Mendonca, Mayra R.	Cornish, NH
12/12/08	Williams, Jeremy A.	Cornish, NH	Anzalone, Heather L.	Cornish, NH
12/26/08	Degener, William T.	Cornish Flat, NH	Swanson, Jennifer S.	Cornish Flat, NH
12/26/08	Proctor, Steven J.	Cornish, NH	Philbrick, Karen L.	Cornish, NH

**Births Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

<b>CHILD'S NAME</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>FATHER'S NAME</b>	<b>MOTHER'S NAME</b>
Mullane-Ranney, Tyler James	01/22/08	Lebanon, NH	Ranney, Justin	Mullane, Christy
Neill, Carter John	02/20/08	Lebanon, NH	Neill, Garret	Robinson, Christy
Chilton, Ayden Christopher	02/27/08	Lebanon, NH	Chilton, Christopher	Chilton, Christal
Strout, James Hartley	03/27/08	Lebanon, NH	Strout, James	Strout, Karen
Overman, Nilo Pino	04/03/08	Lebanon, NH	Overman, Stephen	Pino Lagos, Karina
Blue, Jasper Blaisdell	04/11/08	Lebanon, NH	Blue, Adam	Blue, Jennifer
Lane, Addyson Ann Mae	07/09/08	Lebanon, NH	Lane, Timothy	Merrill, Alesha
Currier, Mia Rose	07/30/08	Lebanon, NH		Blum, Sarah
Orlen, Mirabella Day	08/02/08	Lebanon, NH	Orlen, Joshua	Orlene, Chantelle
Brasseur, Tanner Avery	08/21/08	Lebanon, NH	Brasseur, John	Brasseur, Heather
Nowlan, Teelin James Macgregor	09/07/08	Lebanon, NH	Nowlan, Lawrence	Nowlan, Heather
Boutin, Payton Leighann	09/17/08	Lebanon, NH	Boutin, Michael	Gauld, Misty
Pierce, Alexis Mae	9/26/2008	Lebanon, NH	Pierce, Gregory	Pierce, Angela
Colby, Max William	9/26/2008	Lebanon, NH	Colby, Kirk	Colby, Katrina
Hector, Baby Boy	10/8/2008	Lebanon, NH	Hector, Eric	Hector, Jennifer
Burch, Jaden Matthew	12/16/2008	Lebanon, NH		Burch, Kelley

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

<b>DATE OF DEATH</b>	<b>PLACE OF DEATH</b>	<b>NAME OF DECEASED</b>	<b>NAME OF FATHER</b>	<b>NAME OF MOTHER</b>
01/24/08	Cornish, NH	Mitchell, Sally	Mithcell, Patrick	Conway, Maryann
01/31/08	Cornish Flat, NH	Edwards, Clayton	Edwards, George	Willis, Maria
02/25/08	Lebanon, NH	Nutting, Ruth	Nubrown, Herald	Slack, Maire
03/18/08	Cornish, NH	Fecteau, Thelma	LeClair, George	Harten, Barbara
03/21/08	Lebanon, NH	Bestenbostel, Dennis	Bestenbostel, Kenneth	Bradshaw, Marian
04/18/08	Cornish, NH	Gault, Marian	Punt, Horrace	Kent, Arlene
05/23/08	Cornish, NH	Eastman, Frances	Smith, H	Granger, Evelyn
06/13/08	Cornish, NH	Cosseboom, Ralph	Cosseboom, William	Madigan, Lucille
06/15/08	Lebanon, NH	Oberkottter, Robert	Oberkottter, Robert	Hager, joyce
07/15/08	Cornish, NH	Reynolds, Joan	Kelly, Eugene	Cronin, Evelyn
08/19/08	Cornish Flat, NH	Allen JR, Duane	Allen, Duane	Converse, Clarissa
09/08/08	Cornish Flat, NH	Schad, Hannah	Bardwell, Arthur	Cory, Wilma
10/10/08	Cornish, NH	Whale SR, Paul	Whaten, William	Williamson, Anges
11/08/08	Cornish, NH	Jones, Llewellyn	Jones, Harry	Strong, Susan
11/28/08	Cornish, NH	Evans JR, Raymond	Evans SR, Raymond	Gilson, Eleanor
12/10/08	Lebanon, NH	Parks, Joanne	Conroy, Thomas	Gullifer, Eleanor
12/20/08	Lebanon, NH	Wightman, Revilo	Wightman, Norman	Kinne, Millicnet
12/21/08	Unity, NH	McSwain, Geraldine	Young, John	Unknown, Rena



**Burials Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**

<b>NAME OF DECEASED</b>	<b>PLACE OF BURIAL</b>
Raymond A Evans, Jr	Chase Cemetery
Llewellyn Jones	Edminister Cemetery
Duane D. Allen, Jr	Edminister Cemetery
James Pardon Balloch III	Trinity Cemetery
Gretel E. Cole	South Child Cemetery
Ralph W. Cossboom	Edminister Cemetery
Frances Smith Eastman	Cummings cemetery
Clayton Edwards	Village Cemetery, Ludlow , VT
Thelma Eugene Fecteau	Cummings cemetery
Marian Louise Gault	Queechee Cemetery, Queechee, VT
Roer C. Joyce	Trinity Cemetery
Byrton Ervin Lovell	Trinity Cemetery
Arthur H. Nelson	South Child Cemetery
Amber Ruth Nutting	South Child Cemetery
Wallance Parker Nutting	South Child Cemetery
Joan E. Reynolds	Edminister Cemetery
Wendell A. Stone	South Child Cemetery
Paul W. Whaled, Sr	Chase Cemetery

## Selectmen's Report

2008

The town elected a new Selectboard member, Keith Jones, replacing Stuart Hodgeman, both born and raised in Cornish. We have hired a new administrative assistant, Samantha Ayers. On a sad note, we would like to remember Robert Maslan. Bob, a long serving selectman passed away January 30, 2009. He was good friend, neighbor and public servant. He will be greatly missed.

With the help of generous donations from some townspeople, we were able to purchase the Clark property that abuts the Town Office. The Conservation Commission wrote the check for purchase and was reimbursed by the donated funds. No tax dollars were spent.. The Cornish Fire Department burned the dilapidated building in a successful training exercise.

The Conservation Commission planted numerous trees at the Fairgrounds to provide future shade for fairgoers. The Selectboard was able to procure 3 dozen varieties of lilacs from the NH Lilac Commission for planting at various town properties. Included were the Town Office, Library, and Veterans War Memorial. A Liberty Elm tree was planted at the Meetinghouse by the Cornish Cub and Boy Scouts.

A new ad hoc committee was formed including the CREA Barn committee, Recreation Committee, Cornish Fair Committee, Highway Department and Conservation Commission. This will help communication between the groups that are currently using the CREA lands and avoid conflicts.

Crack monitors have been installed to evaluate the movement of the corner walls of the town office building. We have contacted an engineering firm to accomplish this.

The Cornish Highway Dept. has done an excellent job maintaining the roads during a very cold and snowy winter. The new Highway Dept. truck has been a welcome addition and is performing well. The Police Dept. has acquired a 4 wheel drive vehicle by way of some generous public donations. Again, no tax dollars were spent in the purchase of this vehicle.

The Trinity Church on Rte 12A has been offered to the town by it's current owner Sandra Boss. An article has been placed on the Town Warrant to discuss this matter.

The economic climate has changed considerably in the past year. Fuel prices have fluctuated dramatically since passing the 2008 budget. Town revenues have fallen forcing the board to work hard at reducing the budget

while still providing necessary services and not cutting jobs. New accounting software was purchased to make administrative work more functional, user friendly and up to date.

The Selectboard would like to thank all volunteers and elected boards, committees and departments for their efforts in 2008. Thank you for your support. We look forward to a safe and productive year in 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

Board of Selectman  
John S. Hammond, Chair  
Merilynn B. Bourne  
Keith L. Jones



Selectmen in their office  
Left to Right: Keith Jones, Merilynn Bourne, and John Hammond



**Auditors**  
2008

We have audited the accompanying Treasurer, Library and Trustees of the Trust Funds (cash basis of accounting) of the Town of Cornish for the year January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007. This schedule is the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the schedule based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Trust Report is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the schedules. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall schedule presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

This financial statement had been prepared on the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted governmental accounting principles.

In our opinion, the schedule referred to above presents fairly in all material respects the activity in the Town of Cornish's accounts arising from the cash transactions for the year January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Mason & Rich, Professional Association

## Cemetery Department 2008

I've learned a lot about being a Sexton this year. Responsibilities of the Sexton are to meet with people that want to purchase a grave plot, locate the plot, and register it with the town office. Meet with the funeral director in the event of a death, order military head stones, grave stones and corner stones. There are books, maps of plots and burial records that need to be kept up. There is a cemetery budget to work with and a crew to oversee.

I would like that thank John Rawson and George Abbot of all their hard work last summer. They have worked many years for the cemetery department so they have knowledge of the cemeteries and where people are buried which was a big help to me this year. Also, I would like to thank Back Forty Mowing for their hard work last summer mowing the large cemeteries.

Areas in Cornish that the cemetery crew take care of are: 18 cemeteries, town office building, town hall, fire station 1 and 2, library, old Selectmen's office, common in the flat, old town meeting house and around the welcome signs both on Rte 12A and Rte 120. This work is done from April 1 to October 31. In the spring they start to clean the winter sand off the lawns around the town buildings and pick up debris off the cemeteries, mow grass, weed whack around the head stones, corner stones, buildings and fences. They also put out the Memorial Day flags with the Boy Scouts. The guys repair and paint fences around the cemeteries when need be and put in corner stones, straighten head stones and repair broken ones. In the fall they clean up the leaves to get ready for winter.

When there is a burial someone from the cemetery department has to be present. For a full burial, the guys rake out the area seed and mulch it. When there is a cremation, the guys dig the hole, cover it up after the service and clean up the area.

Thanks again John and George for all your help.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Flynn  
Sexton

# **Conservation Commission**

2008

## **Land Protection**

The primary purpose of town Conservation Commissions in New Hampshire is “protection of natural resource...of said town.” 3505 acres of Cornish land is now protected by conservation easements.

In November, the Cornish Conservation Commission received the good news that our town, as a result of two years of work with the Upper Valley Land Trust, had won a \$167,500 grant from the Land and Community Heritage Foundation in order to purchase development rights to the 250 year old, eight-generation Dingleton Hill farm of Jim and Sue Fitch, Bud Fitch and Martha Zoerheide.

The site of our town office building was protected and enhanced by the town’s purchase of an abutting property that included some small dilapidated building. The Selectboard and Conservation Commission worked together to purchase the property quickly by using \$35,000 from the Conservation Fund. This money was promptly repaid by a successful fund drive, and the buildings were removed.

## **New Maps**

Don Snowden chaired a map subcommittee consisting of Conservation Commission members Loel Callahan, Bill Gallagher, John Hammond, Jon Woodhull and Cornish residents Dale Rook and John White. The resulting digitized natural resource maps will be shared with the Planning Board. Rickey Poor and Mariet Jaarsma attended a map-making workshop in January.

## **Cornish Recreational and Educational Area Improvement**

Linda Fuerst and Rickey Poor will represent the Conservation Commission on the new CREA Committee, which also included members of the CREA Barn Committee, the Recreation Committee, the Cornish Fair Committee, the Selectboard and the Highway Department. The bridge between the Cornish School and the CREA Barn was rebuilt by Conservation Commission members, boy scouts, members of the public and the highway department. Nate Cass of North Country Door donated new trail signs.

## **Shade Tree Planting**

A community project funded by the Conservation Commission and administered by Loel Callahan with the assistance of students and the highway department resulted in the planting of ten shade trees of the Cornish fairgrounds.

### **Fuel Tank Removal**

The underground fuel tank at the Cornish Fire and Police station was removed in an effort spearheaded by Mike Monette and assisted by Conservation Commission members. The Commission also donated funds for this project.

### **Membership News**

Gab Zoerheide was elected Conservation Commission chairman in March, but later moved with his new wife to Vermont, so in October, Bill Gallagher was elected chairman, Linda Fuerst became vice-chairman and Betty Miller was elected secretary. Jon Woodhull was reappointed to the commission. Frank Parks became a new member and Rickey Poor, an alternate member.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Gallagher, Chairman

Betty Miller, Secretary

Jim Barker

Loel Callahan

Linda Fuerst

Frank Parks

Jon Woodhull

John Hammond, Selectman

Mariet Jaarsma, Alt

Rickey Poor, Alt

Don Snowden, Alt



## Connecticut Valley Home Care & Hospice

2008

Connecticut Valley Home Care and Hospice is a state licensed, Medicare certified and Joint Commission accredited visiting nurse, home health, and hospice agency. We provide skilled nursing services, licensed nursing assistant, physical, occupational and speech therapy services, as well as social worker and homemaker/companion services in the home. We have been providing these services since 1949. We provided services to 26 clients in the town of Cornish last year, which accounts for 253 visits. Connecticut Valley Home Care and Hospice provided services to 875 clients in Sullivan County totally 21,912 visits for home health care services.

In addition to direct patient care services, CVHC also provides many community health clinics and educational programs throughout Sullivan County. This past year CVHC provided 10 flu vaccine immunization clinics and vaccinated 426 individuals. The flu clinic held at the Cornish town hall vaccinated 45 residents of Cornish. CVHC provides a monthly Alzheimer's caregiver's support group held at Valley Regional Hospital, a very popular weekly foot care clinic serving approximately 80 clients per month, quarterly advance directives training, as well as many educational sessions at Senior Centers, Senior Housing, and other community groups for diabetes, nutrition and other health related topics. The mission of Connecticut Valley Home Care & Hospice is to enhance the health of the community we serve.

It is the policy of Connecticut Valley Home Care and Hospice to provide these needed services to patients regardless of their ability to pay, either in part or in whole. CVHC provided \$3,000 amount for free care the past year to Cornish residents which includes health promotion visits, skilled nursing, personal care, and hospice care to uninsured or underinsured individuals.

As an integral part of the community we are proud to be able to provide this care to those in the community who are in need of home care services. We greatly value the town of Cornish and their partnership in assisting Connecticut Valley Home Care and Hospice in this very important mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Bussey, RN, MS  
Director

## Cornish Fair Association

2008

### 59<sup>TH</sup> Annual

We had a very good weekend. Attendance was good. Thanks to all the dairy, beef and sheep people, horse , ox, pony pullers, tractor club, art show, school exhibits and a special thanks to all the volunteers that helped out. If it wasn't for you this would not be able to happen.

The fair is now a 501(c)(3) thanks to George Edson.

Hope to see you at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornish Fair.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Gray, President



Overlooking the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornish Fair, August 15-17

## CREA Barn

2008

The Committee has received a grant from the Claremont Savings Bank Foundation for \$2000, which will be allocated to the installation of replacement windows at the front and rear of the barn in the upper level plus the installation of new rolling doors on the front. The four windows are approximately 42" x 66". Work will continue on the repair and replacement of siding on the east, north, and west sides.

Respectfully submitted,

The CREA Barn Committee:

Colleen O'Neill

Marie Stevens

George Edson

Laird Klingler, Treasurer

Bill Gallagher

Don Snowden

## **CREA Committee**

2008

### **History**

In 1983 when the town of Cornish purchased the Cornish Recreation and Education Area, it consisted of a barn and 76 acres of woodland, fields, and wetland bordering on Townhouse Road across from the Cornish Elementary School. Its close proximity to the school and the site of the Cornish Fair made it very desirable for the town to own.

The Cornish Conservation Commission applied for and received grants from the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) to purchase and develop the property. The conditions of the grant require that the land be used for recreation and education. Matching funds were raised from the Conservation Commission's Capital Reserve Fund, the Cornish Fair Association, and private citizens.

Dwight and Ruth Wood donated to the town, a four-acre parcel of land that abuts the 76-acre CREA parcel. Part of the four acres is used for CREA. The rest is used by the Fire Department and Police Department.

Today, CREA has been transformed to allow the citizens of Cornish to fully enjoy its recreational and education potential. It now includes a restored barn, a baseball diamond, a soccer field and a nature study area, with a network of trails. The Cornish Fair Association uses CREA land for parking at fair time.

Over the years many volunteers and organizations have given of their time and raised additional funds to help further develop the property. From its inception, the CREA project represents a classic example of how a town can successfully combine the goals of conservation and development for the common benefit of the public.

### **Present**

The responsibility for the overall management of the CREA land lies with the Town Selectmen. They contract out the mowing of the ball fields and hay fields and any other maintenance work that needs to be done on the property. Some of the maintenance is done by the Highway Department.

In March of 2008, the selectmen set up an Ad Hoc CREA Committee, made up of representatives from the various organizations, which use the property. It meets four times a year on the second Wednesday of February, May, August and November. The purpose of this committee is to facilitate communications between the various groups and to assist and advise the Selectmen. The chair of the CREA Committee sends a report to the Select



Board after each meeting. In addition Keith Jones and Dan Flynn, who attend the meetings, keep the committee up to date on any issues concerning the property.

Each group, represented on this committee, helps with the development and maintenance of the property through yearly fundraising and volunteer efforts. They will continue to be able to work independently on their own projects as they do now.

### **Issues**

Some of the issues that were discussed were resolved. Some are ongoing.

- Improving communication between groups & with the selectmen
- Chain of command for decision making
- Responsibility for cost and carrying out of maintenance
- Stipulations in the DRED grant
- Scheduling of the fields
- Beaver activity in the wetland
- Port-o-potties on the ball fields
- Recycling / trash removal
- Trail maintenance
- Bridge repair
- Water on the ball fields
- Protecting from parking on soccer field & infield at fair time
- Access to the hay field
- Uses for the barn

### **Projects / Events**

There were several projects and events on the CREA property in 2008

- The Cornish Youth Recreation Association refurbished the baseball infield.
- The soccer field was made into two fields to accommodate the 7/8's & 5/6's. Summer soccer camps and the school for their fall soccer program utilized the soccer field.
- Trail markers were installed on the trails. Nate Cass and North Country Door donated the signs.

The names of the trails are:

Mike's Trail (named for Mike Yatsevitch)

Connector Trail

T.J.'s Trail (named for T.J. Theriault who built the trail for his Eagle Scout project)

Additional trails have been flagged but not built. One of these will be named Rickey's trail (named for Rickey Poor) Both Rickey and Mike were very instrumental in the creation of CREA.

- The footbridge on Mike's trail was raised and rebuilt by Leo Maslan and members of Boy Scout Troop 332. Travis Callahan built a stone abutment into one bank of the stream.
- Boy Scout Troop 332 also built benches at the highest point on T.J's Trail.
- The environmental science program, Four Winds, which is conducted by volunteers in the school, used the trails throughout the year for their outdoor study.
- The school used the property for sledding and snowshoeing.
- Nikki Annis, for her Honor Society thesis project, used the nature trails for her event "Learn more about eating healthy and getting exercise".

There were many other volunteers, too many to mention, who helped with the above projects. The CREA Committee would like to extend a thank you to all of you.

Respectfully submitted,

### **The CREA Committee**

Linda Fuerst (At large / Chairman)

Co-coordinator of Four Winds Nature Institute Program  
Development and maintenance of trails

Keith Jones

Selectman

Rickey Poor

Conservation Commission

Katie Barber

Cornish School Athletic Director

Dan Flynn

Highway Department

Leland Atwood

Cornish Fair Association

Colleen O'Neill

Barn Committee

Chris Gilbert

Little League & Cornish Youth Recreation Association

Jim Strout

Recreational Fields Coordinator

Linda & Bobby Rice

Farmers of hay fields

## Energy Commission

2008

Mission Statement: The Town of Cornish takes local steps to save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

A gradual progression of activity for the Energy Committee took place over the past two years. The first year (2007) was concerned with educational presentation to the public on energy topics. This past year (2008) a structured committee was formed with more focus on beginning a few projects. A grant was submitted to the New England Grassroots Environment Fund to launch an energy audit of the elementary school with the intention of improving energy efficiency in order to reduce heating fuel costs and electric bills. There was an overwhelming response from the community with contributions of time and expertise, thanks to everyone involved. We still you to help sustain our mission. Please join us. The Energy Committee will continue to encourage, recommend, and support ideas that will reduce carbon emissions in Cornish and beyond.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Boyle  
Linda Fuerst  
Pat Pinkson-Burke  
Ginny Wood  
Martha Zoerheide

## Fire Auxiliary

2008

The Cornish Fire Auxiliary celebrates its 40th Anniversary in 2009. Charter member Judy Rook, our current vice-president and continuous member, recalls the beginnings of the organization back in 1969, when a group of women in town (mostly wives of firefighters) got together to form an Auxiliary that would serve food and drinks during a fire, have a supply of clothing ready for burned-out families, and raise money to help purchase a new fire truck. Over the years, the Auxiliary has raised thousands of dollars to support the fire department, helping to purchase fire equipment, vehicles and supplies. Judy was one of several women, early on, who went through fire training to supplement the number of volunteer firefighters available in Cornish during daytime hours.

Our mission continues to support the Cornish Fire Department. We bring food and beverages to fire scenes and pursue fund raising activities. The Auxiliary sells food at the weekly Cornish Bingo and this allowed us to make a substantial donation to the new Cornish Flat Fire Station. Our group helped with refreshments at the station's dedication in June. In May, we provided refreshments to the Spirit Day volunteers who painted the trim on the new station.

Last Spring we held the Annual Cornish Rabies Clinic. Again, we invite all residents to our 2009 CLINIC on Saturday, April 4th, from 10-11:30am, at the fire station in the Flat, with Virginia Prince, veterinarian. All dogs and cats are welcome. Please bring animals on a leash or in a cage, and your old rabies certificate or tag. 2009 dog licenses will be available.

We held our Annual Holiday Bazaar at the Cornish School in November. Each year we sell table space for local crafters and offer a luncheon. Our members made a beautiful raffle quilt won by Cynthia Wilkie of Cornish. Watch for details about our 2009 Holiday Bazaar.

Auxiliary meetings are held six times a year and new volunteers are always welcome. (Anyone may join.) Meetings are the 1st Thursday of every other month. Please ask any member for more information.  
Thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen O'Neill, Secretary

Current Auxiliary Members: Paula Harthan, Pres; Judy Rook, VP; Jackie Thayer, Treas; Colleen O'Neill, Sec; Sheila Drury; Marie Edwards Sandy Ennis; Lois Fitts; Karen Gillock; Laura Harthan; Bernice Johnson; Marcia Paradis; Maureen Walsh; Lorraine Wright



## Fire Department 2008

It seems hard to believe that another year has passed.

With the high cost of oil and propane we had braced ourselves for serious calls due to more wood users. I am happy to report last year the townspeople using wood were very careful in keeping their chimneys clean and properly disposing of their ashes, thus a lot less calls for us.

We have settled in and are enjoying our new station with a great new bunch of members.

One of our more busy times came during the ice storm. A lot of people went without powers for a long time. The department assisted several people in getting their homes warmed up. If you have a problem and don't know where to turn, Call us 911, we are always there.

Thank you Cornish for all your support

Respectfully submitted,

Nate Cass, Chief CFD



The Cornish Fire Truck in the Cornish Fair Parade, driven by John Mathers with Smokey the Bear holding on the back.

## Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger 2008

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdfi.org](http://www.nhdfi.org).

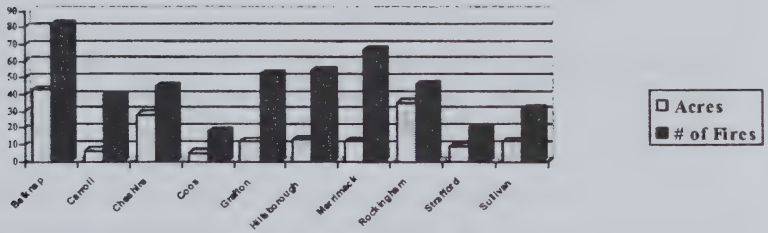
Spring fire season lasted unusually long this past year, with very high fire danger stretching into the first week of June. Once again, the rains started to fall during the summer and the fire activity was fairly light for the remainder of the year. The acreage burned was less than that of 2007. The largest forest fire during the 2008 season burned approximately 54 acres on Rattlesnake Mountain in Rumney on White Mountain National Forest property. Another 39 acre fire occurred on Mount Major in Alton during the month of April. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2008 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

## 2008 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 24, 2008)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	43	82
Carroll	6	40
Cheshire	28	45
Coos	5	18
Grafton	12	52
Hillsborough	13	54
Merrimack	12	67
Rockingham	35	46
Strafford	9	20
Sullivan	12	31



### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Total Acres		Total Fires	
Arson	2	2008	455
175			
Debris	173	2007	437
212			
Campfire	35	2006	500
473			
Children	23	2005	546
174			
Smoking	36	2004	482
147			
Railroad	2		
Equipment	11		
Lightning	11		
Misc.*	162 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

## **General Assistance and Senior Resources**

2008

Loss of employment, fuel assistance, housing and emergency medical needs have resulted in a record number of people applying for assistance. Therefore, we have asked that our budget be increased by \$1000—the first increase in 17 years.

We would like to acknowledge the outstanding volunteer services provided by the Cornish Neighbor to Neighbor group, who, with help from volunteer townspeople, worked diligently to cut, split, stack and deliver wood to several of our elderly and disabled residents. They also responded to a number of special needs including building a handicap access ramp, planting and tending gardens, shoveling snow and other requests to lend a helping hand to those in need. Their services were acknowledged by a member of the legal staff in Concord as an outstanding example of how a group of caring people can work together to provide special assistance in hard times. For more information, please call Laird Klingler, Jim Fitch, Henry Homeyer, or Connie Kousman.

This year our department initiated an outreach program, which will provide new residents with information about services available here in Cornish. For more information, please call Martha Zoerheide.

Cornish Senior Luncheons are held at the Masonic Hall on School Street at noon on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month, except December. This is a wonderful opportunity for residents over 60 to enjoy a hot meal and visit with friends. Established in 2000, the luncheons are supported by a generous donation from the Millar Fund and other local contributions. Our thanks to Cheston and Nancy Newbold and Jim Atkinson for their annual donations.

Special appreciation also to members of the Cornish Fire Department, who provide free stove inspections and other services; to the Cornish Police Department for their support, to members of the Grange for their holiday outreach program; to a few anonymous Cornish residents who quietly stand by to help with special needs beyond our budget; and to every Cornish resident who has stepped up to the plate to help during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Kousman  
Anne Hier  
Judith Kaufman  
Martha Zoerheide



## George H. Stowell Free Library

2008

The Stowell Library was the recipient of one grant in 2008: \$1500 from the Margaret O. Cromwell Family Fund of the Baltimore Community Foundation. This money helped fund the three presenters from the New Hampshire Humanities Council in the winter and spring of 2008, and it entirely paid for the presence of Vermont Storytellers Jennings and Ponder at the Cornish Elementary School's Back To School Street Fest held in August, in the Flat. Some of the grant money will also pay for the following free programs in 2009:

Wednesday, February 18th - 7:00 PM - Glen Swanson, scholar and lecturer from the NH Humanities Council, will present "Faith, Tradition and Change: 'Three Cups of Tea' and the Suni - Sufi - Shi'i Rivalry for the Soul of Islam [Middle East, Islam and World Issues]"

Wednesday, May 27th - 7:00 PM - Tom Wessels, ecologist, founding director of the master's program in Conservation Biology at Antioch University New England, and author will speak about his book ***The Myth of Progress: Towards a Sustainable Future.***

Saturday, April 11th - 9:00 AM - The library will be having a book sale. Proceeds will benefit the library. In a similar vein, the library has accepted donations of books from people in the community in the past. Due to a lack of space this service will be discontinued. Please note that the Annual Five-Colleges Book Sale will be held this year at Lebanon High School on April 25th and 26th, and they GLADLY accept donations. Contact Priscilla Dube at 603-428-3311 or e-mail her at c\_dube @conknet.com for donation drop off sites.

The Monthly Book Discussion Group still meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. The library provides participants with copies of what is being read. Below is the schedule of meeting dates and book choices for the remainder of 2009:

3/4/09 - The Book Thief/Markus Zusak

4/1/09 - Home/Marilynne Robinson

5/6/09 - The Zookeeper's Wife/Diane Ackerman

6/3/09 - The White Album/Joan Didion

7/1/09 - Empire Falls/Richard Russo

8/5/09 - The Thirteenth Tale/Diane Setterfield

9/2/09 - Among Friends/M.F.K. Fisher

10/6/09 - The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pic Society/ Mary Ann Shaffer

11/4/09 - The Story of Edgar Sawtelle/David Wroblewski

12/2/09 - Anna Karenina/Leo Tolstoy

The Town Library and the School Library provided children in the community with book lists, logs and, of course, books to encourage reading through out the summer months. Those who kept track of their efforts were invited to turn in their logs at the Back to School Street Fest or to the school or town librarians in early September to receive a certificate recognizing their commitment to reading during the summer.

The state inter-library loan system was well utilized by patrons. During 2008, 249 books were borrowed from libraries throughout the state, and Cornish loaned 85 books from its collection. This year, 2,587 people came to the town library; 3023 books (including audiobooks) were circulated; 637 movies were borrowed; 92 magazines were checked out; the copier was used 86 times, and the computer was used 108 times. There was an increase in inter-library loan usage, patronage of the library, circulation of movies, and use of the copier. Book circulation stayed exactly the same, and use of the computer and magazine circulation decreased slightly.

And finally, a tribute to the Stowell Library's stupendous volunteer staff: Cynthia Wilke, Mary Beth Heiskell. Debbie Stone, Leigh Callahan, Sue Gagne, Kate Freeland, Richard Scheuer, Nancy Wightman, Ginny Gage, Bette Blackington, Judith Kaufman, Jane Walter and the trustees: Kathi Patterson, Karen Woodbury and Bernice Johnson. Thanks also to Barb Atherton, Valerie Newton and Lois Fitts for remaining on the sub list and covering for folks from time to time and to all the people who donated time, money and materials to the library this past year.

See you at the library!

Emily Cromwell, Librarian

# George H. Stowell Expense Report

## 2008

Expenses	Estimated 2008	Actual 2008	Estimated 2009	Change
Payroll	\$7,462.21	\$7,463.00	\$7,462.21	\$0.00
Electricity	\$285.00	\$378.75	\$345.00	\$60.00
Telephone	\$400.00	\$406.24	\$400.00	\$0.00
Books	\$3,500.00	\$3,945.68	\$3,500.00	\$0.00
Periodicals	\$225.00	\$228.78	\$225.00	\$0.00
Audio-Visuals	\$400.00	\$444.99	\$400.00	\$0.00
Oil/Wood	\$2,500.00	\$2,637.93	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Building				
Maintenance	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	(\$200.00)
General Supplies	\$150.00	\$32.12	\$100.00	(\$50.00)
Postage	\$125.00	\$142.74	\$125.00	\$0.00
Advertising	\$50.00	\$3.50	\$30.00	(\$20.00)
Library Training	\$150.00	\$140.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
Trustee Dues	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
Totals:	\$15,707.21	\$15,883.73	\$15,497.21	(\$210.00)

Librarian's salary: \$10.86/hour for 10 hours for 52 weeks.	\$6,211.92
Janitor's salary: \$10.00/hour for 6 hours /month.	\$720.00
Social security is figured at 6.2%.	\$429.78
Medicare is figured at 1.45%.	\$100.51
	\$7,462.21

## **Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc**

2008

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Cannan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including homes delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, elder care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2008, 25 older residents of Cornish were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Upper Valley Senior Center:

- Older adults from Cornish enjoyed 152 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining room.
- Cornish residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 192 occasions by our lift-equipped buses or volunteers.
- Frail Cornish residents benefited from 467 hours pf adult day care at the Upper Valley Senior Center
- Cornish citizens received assistance with problems of long-term care though 9 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Cornish citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 16 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council service for Cornish residents in 2008 was \$12,493.57.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our populations grow older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council hopes that Cornish will consider providing support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director



## Highway Department 2008

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people that elected me as Road Agent in 2008. I'm running again this year and would appreciate your vote in 2009.

I would like to thank my highway crew for the great job this year; it's been a difficult year. I would also like to thank everyone else that helped the department throughout the year.

This year was a very difficult year starting and ending with multiple snow and ice storms. With so many storms it takes more chains and plow blades. We also used most of the sand pile, all of which takes more money. The highway crew worked many hours clearing the roads and making sure the townspeople were able to get to their destinations safely.

There were a lot of changes for me this year. No one ran for Sexton so I accepted the position. There was a change in Administrative staff at the town office which impacted my department. The Highway budget was hard to manage this year due to high fuel prices and an increase in the cost of other materials.

This year the Highway Department received a new International Dump truck. The truck was purchased from S.G Reed in Claremont and the body work was done by Osgood. This 2009 dump truck replaced the 1992 dump truck. The dump truck is performing well and it is a welcomed addition to the garage.

I also over see the recycling yard which includes seeing that the cardboard and plastic dumpsters are dumped and that the glass and steel get hauled away when full. I have to make sure that the yard is ready every Saturday plowed, sanded and graded if needed, so that recycling can open. I would like to thank Dale, George and Will for their work at the recycling center.

Things that the Highway department did this year:

- Paved Fire Station One
- Repaired bridges on the DOT's "Red List"
- Replaced and repaired some bad guard rails, still many left to do.
- Hauled in inch and a half hard pack for mud season
- York racked
- Graded the roads
- Put in many culverts

- Added gravel to the roads.
- Paved a mile of black top
- Blew leaves off the roads
- Cut brush
- Ditched roads
- Hauled in winter sand.

We also helped Mike Monette at the school with snow removal and other odds and ends, assisted the Fair Association with fair setup, watering roads and etc.

Special thanks to everyone who dropped off goodies at the Highway garage during the year and to the people who have donated money to the coffee fund at the Cornish General Store, greatly appreciated by all the highway crew.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Flynn



Highway Crew standing in front of the 2009 International Dump Truck,

Left to Right: Paul Rheume, John McNamara, Roger Gilbert, Dan Flynn, and Gary Spaulding.

## Historical Society

2008

In the spring of this year we began a series of talks that ranged from the eighteenth century through to the twenty-first. In April, Jay Barrett, an architect from Fairlee, Vermont, talked about the earliest settlers and settlements along the Connecticut River. In May, Richard Henderson, former president of the Lebanon Historical Society, revealed the traces in the Upper Valley of an eighteenth-century stone carver as he pointed out what distinguished this itinerant artist's unique designs. In June, Dale Rook provided information about the history of the Cornish Fire Department the better to prepare us for appreciating the newly constructed building in the Flat that was dedicated in June. Our September meeting was held at the Dance Hall of the Blow-Me-Down Farm in order to hear about new directions for the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site from its superintendent, B. J. Dunn. We also had an opportunity to assess the building as a possible meeting site. The October meeting reverted to the nineteenth-century: Jay Barrett returned and illustrated a talk on the early "turnpikes" in the Upper Valley—those that preceded I-89 and I-91 by almost a century.

We would like to remind the Town of Cornish about the Mission of the Society: It is a non-profit educational association that collects, preserves, and interprets the history of Cornish, New Hampshire. Its purpose is to investigate, elucidate, and publish information that documents or illustrates Cornish history and the lives and society of its people from the time of the first settlements, both Native American and Colonial, to the present day. It seeks to carry this mission out: a) by collecting, receiving, and preserving books, documents, artifacts, and cultural objects; b) by interpreting them to the community through educational programs, lectures, publications, public events, and public display; c) by receiving financial contributions in furtherance of our mission. Furthermore, it seeks to encourage others to collect, preserve, and interpret the history of Cornish and the local area.

We would like to announce that we now are able to fund small, local projects that support our mission. We shall accept grant proposals on a yearly basis beginning January 1, 2010. We shall consider matching any request, up to the Society's allowable annual budget amount, for projects of historical interest or historical preservation germane to the Town of Cornish so long as funding the project does not jeopardize the Town's tax rolls. Proposals should be addressed to the Cornish Historical Society, 117 Town House Road, and received by April 1, 2010; decisions will be announced by May 15, 2010.

The Historical Center on School Street is open to all from 9:30 A.M. until Noon on the second Saturday of every month. Drop by. Volunteers needed!

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Atkinson, President  
Beth Lum, Vice President  
Judy Rook, Secretary  
Anne Hier, Corresponding Secretary  
Bill Caterino, Treasurer

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ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SALE TO BENEFIT THE SOCIETY:

- Child, *History of Cornish New Hampshire*, volumes I and II (reprint) \$25
- Wade, *A Brief History of Cornish* (reprint) \$22.50
- Dale and Judy Rook, *Photo Tour Around Cornish at the Start of the 21st Century* \$30
- Meyers and Atkinson, *New Hampshire's Cornish Colony* \$20
- Covered-Bridge Note Paper (10 cards and envelopes) \$5
- Covered-Bridge Tiles \$5

Annual Dues = \$5.00 per member  
Life Membership = \$50.00 per member



# Household Hazardous Waste Committee

2008

The Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste committee is a volunteer organization whose purpose is to reduce harm to the environment and human health caused by the use and improper disposal of household hazardous waste. The Committee aims to:

- Educate the public to the dangers of hazardous waste.
- Encourage the use of less hazardous products in the home.
- Promote proper disposal of household hazardous waste.
- Support local agencies which reflect/promote our mission.

During 2008 the Committee continued to maintain a regional website, hosted a booth at the Upper Valley Home Life Exhibition, provided volunteers for the household hazardous waste collections at the Lebanon Landfill, and met with Marc Morgan, Solid Waste Manager for Lebanon to learn more about the Landfill and Recycling Center and the services they provide.

**Website** [www.uvhhw.org](http://www.uvhhw.org) provides detailed information about:

- Where and when the hazardous waste collections are this year and who may attend.
- What you can and cannot bring.
- Less toxic recipes for cleaning solutions.
- Links to other regional authorities.

**Event Booth** The Household Hazardous Waste Committee's booth at the Upper Valley Home Life Exhibition featured information on collections in the area including dates and what materials are and are not accepted. Pesticide free lawn and garden care continued to be a focus. Alternative cleaning recipes were distributed. Also, material was available on mercury and fluorescent light bulb use and disposal.

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection Support** The committee provided volunteer support at the collections held at the Lebanon Landfill, keeping waiting times short and residents informed. A total of 480 households from Canaan, Enfield, Hanover, Lebanon, Lyme, Orford, Plainfield, Springfield and Cornish brought waste to two collections at the Lebanon Landfill.

**Toxicity Reduction Program** Bookmark size summaries of information on environmentally safe lawn and garden care were included in the town of Hartford's utility bills. These summaries were also distributed to town offices and libraries where they were available to the public.

The Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Committee is made up of volunteers from Upper Valley towns. We invite anyone interested to attend our meetings and become involved.

Margaret Bragg, Hanover, NH

Vickie Davis, Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

Charlotte Faulkner, Hanover, NH

Joyce Noll, Etna, NH

Barbara Whitman, Chair, Lebanon, NH

## Meals on Wheels

2008

The Meals on Wheels (MOW) program delivered its first meal in Philadelphia in 1954. The program was molded after a similar program that was started in England to support seniors during World War II. In 1972, the federal government made the program permanent through the implementation of the Older American's Act. The Act provided a basis for providing meals to senior (60 years or older) or people with qualifying disabilities. As an integral part of the act, the framework for funding not only involved federal support but also monies from local sources. The general formula put forth by the grant is 75 to 80% garnered from federal sources, 15 to 20% to be raised from local support (counties and municipalities) with the balance derived through private donations. Obviously these are general guidelines but it points out that community participation and personal commitment are key elements.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services (SCNS) started its participation in MOW program in 1973 and operated out of a department store's basement in Newport. The initial program served 25 meals per day and had an initial operating budget of \$20,000. IN 1980, the program established meal sites in Claremont and Charlestown to meet an ever growing need for service. 30 years later, we are serving over 100,000 per year with an operating budget of \$650,000. All but three communities in Sullivan County receive meal services through this program (Acworth, Plainfield and Langdon). We have not received any requests from these communities. If, there be a request we would make every accommodation to service the request.

SNCS request each community that is being served to support the MOW program. Our request reflects the number of meals and individuals that have been served in your community during the past year and the historical trend that has been experienced. If your community is not served, no money is requested. If your community has few means and few people being served historically, then it is conceivable that your requested support would be reduced. The bottom line is we simply ask for support that is commensurate with the degree of service provided and seldom is equal to the total cost of the service. Any difference is raised through private donations and is consistent with the funding formula that was put forth by the Older American's Act.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services is a part of the Newport Senior Center, a 501(c)3 organization. SCNS operates three congregate meal sites in Newport, Earl Bourdon Center (Claremont) and at the Town Office Complex in Charlestown. We have an annual independent audit performed each year and must comply with all aspects of the program grant guidelines. Oversight is provided by the State of NH, Department of Elder and Adult Services. We encourage communities to visit us and to discuss any questions they have about any aspect of the program. Thank you in advance for your support.

Brenda Burns  
Executive Director

## Meetinghouse

2008

The Meetinghouse had an exciting year. It was brought to the attention of the Trustees that the structure of the building was shifting and moving. An inspection was made by the Trustees and it was decided to hire an engineer to review the situation.

Ben Brungraber, Ph.D., P.E. of Fire Tower Engineered Timber was hired and gave a report on the condition of the timber superstructure and existing foundation. Using a quick brushstroke, his report recommended addressing a restoration of the steeple area, a 1st Floor foundation restoration, and addressing the crawl space with a proper vapor barrier. The Trustees asked Richard Thompson, an expert in timber frame construction, to give a bid estimate for the work required. Rich gave a bid of \$34,000 to complete all three phases of work.

The Trustees then were given a very generous donation by three people; a \$15,000 donation by the late Hannah B. Schad of Cornish Flat who specified that a portion go towards the replacement of the failing windows in the upper story and the remainder (\$8,000) to go towards the restoration of the Meetinghouse, a \$20,000 anonymous donation, and a \$6,000 donation by The Cornish Historical Society. All three donors are/were all passionately interested in seeing our Town's rich heritage preserved for generations to come.

We, the Trustees, and the town of Cornish are extremely appreciative of their support to preserve our Town's unique structures.

The Meetinghouse continues to provide meeting space for both the Cornish Historical Society and The Farmer's Market. The Historical Society uses the downstairs meeting area during their spring and fall meetings and The Farmer's Market uses the outdoor common area during the spring and summer. The annual Memorial Day Service is celebrated on the Meetinghouse lawn every May.

Our trustee, Jim Smith, has now been winding the clock for ten years. We thank him very much for his weekly dedication.

The Meetinghouse is open to any nonprofit Cornish organization or private person or organization. Please contact Caroline Storrs at 675-9376 for scheduling and fee. If you would like to make a deductible donation to this magnificent centerpiece of the Flat, please send checks to The Meetinghouse c/o George Edson.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Storrs, Chairperson  
George Edson, Treasurer

Susan Chandler, Secretary  
Jim Smith, Clockwinder



## Planning Board

2008

Meeting the first and third Thursdays of each month, the Cornish Planning Board held six hearings on various applications in 2008. Five were approved, one was approved conditionally. All meetings and hearings are open to the public, and Cornish residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Cornish Master Plan Update, required by State Law, is in its final draft form. Taking public comment from the two community forums held in May and June of 2008, the Planning Board has revised the Master Plan Draft presented at the forums and will hold a hearing to adopt the Updated Master Plan under RSA 674:4 and 675:6 on ***April 2, 2009 at 7pm at the Cornish Elementary School Gym.*** Copies of the Master Plan are available online at [www.cornishnh.net](http://www.cornishnh.net). In addition, the Master Plan will be available at the Town Office on a computer disk. Paper copies will also be available to any who are unable to access the plan in digitized form. Community involvement has been and is key success of the Master Plan; Please plan on attending the April 2<sup>nd</sup> Hearing.

### 2008 Actions

#### Annexation/Lot Line Adjustment

Lorraine Cosseboom	East Road	Approved
Antoinette Delaney	River Road	Approved

#### Site Plan Review

Randall Williams	NH Route 120	Approved
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#### Subdivision-Major

Lawrence Dingee	Leavitt Hill Road	Approved
Trustees of the ST. Gaudens Memorial	NH Route 12A	Approved

#### Subdivision-Minor

Robert LaFlam	South Deming Road	Approved
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### 2008 Members

Bill Lipfert, Chair	Troy Simino
Cheston Newbold, Vice-Chair	Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman
Heidi Jaarsma	Larry Dingee, Alternate
Gail McKenzie	Gwyn Gallagher, Alternate
Peter Storrs	Mary Mancuso, Alternate

## **Police Department**

### **2008**

The Cornish Police Department handled 908 Calls for Service during the year 2008, up 4 from 2007. As I reviewed the end of year statistics, I observed a pattern that I wanted to discuss in my annual report. At the end of 2007, we did a similar review, and decided to address certain types of calls that seemed to be rising or were of concern to the department. I am glad to report that our directed enforcement seems to have paid off.

**Traffic Accidents -** In 2006 we recorded 81, and in 2007 we recorded 75. We have increased our traffic enforcement during each of the past two years, and we recorded only 45 accidents, our lowest number in ten years. By doing directed patrols on speeders, aggressive drivers, and impaired drivers, we have an impact our traffic accidents. It is our goal in 2009 to continue this pattern with more directed patrols, specifically the morning commutes and late night drivers, as well as increased usage of the radar trailer.

**Burglaries -** We recorded 2 burglaries in 2008 and 9 in 2007. This was a dramatic decrease. I attribute this drop to not only proactive police patrols by Cornish PD and the NH State Police, but also to observant neighbors. Publicizing the information on the 2007 burglaries, in which we cleared 4 with arrests, one of which was directly related to a concerned citizen report, helps keep burglars out of Cornish. In tough economic times, we need to be even more vigilant as a community.

**Alcohol Arrests -** We recorded 21 arrests for Minors in Possession of Alcohol in 2006, 20 in 2007 and 8 in 2009. By aggressive patrolling our back roads, having citizens call in when they spot traffic that might be indicative of a party in the area, and word of mouth that "everyone gets caught when they have a party in Cornish" has helped decrease this problem. Underage drinking leads to underage drinking and driving, which can lead to accidents, injuries or even death. We will continue to aggressively stop underage drinking in Cornish.

I want to close out my report this year with major accomplishments of our department. During 2008 we were fortunate to have several local residents and businesses step up and donate to provide our department with a 2004 Dodge Durango fully outfitted for use during winter and mud seasons. This will also allow the Cornish Officers to minimize the amount of times personal vehicles have been used as police cruisers. I want to thank all of you who supported this effort.

Cornish Police Department was also the recipient of 3 grants. The first grant provided CAR 54 equipment to both cruisers, including new sirens, laptops, a radar for the Durango and voice activation technology to allow the officer to keep his eyes on the road, and operate our emergency equipment by voice command. This had a value of \$ 10,000. and was funded through a grant program sponsored by Senator Judd Gregg. We also received a 50% matching grant to replace two bullet resistant vests. This grant was valued at \$ 700.00. And lastly we received a grant from the State of NH to provide a second PBT (Preliminary Breath Test) device. This device is used to test impaired drivers, and underage drinkers, and is value at approximately \$ 400.00.

Please continue to be observant during 2009, report suspicious activity to Cornish Police Department by calling (603) 543-0535 or in non emergency cases, by email at [Cornish.Police@comcast.net](mailto:Cornish.Police@comcast.net) .

Proudly Serving,

Chief E. Douglas Hackett  
Officer Corey J. Stevens  
Officer Paul M. Roberts  
Officer Gerard R. Beaudry  
Officer Anthony D. Swett



Cornish Police Department's new vehicle



**Recycling Center**  
2008  
Open Saturdays 9AM to 2PM

2008 kept us very bust as it seemed that everyone was cleaning out their cellars, garages and sheds. We have been sending dumpsters out every two to three weeks. That's okay, it's better than land fill or roadside.

Two improvements took place in 2008, one was new steps for both sheds. The stairs to the swap shop was a result of my taking a header coming out one day and injuring my shoulder, need to watch my step. Also the roadway and yard were graded, rolled and dense ledge pack put down. This makes a nice smooth surface. My thanks to the Highway Dep.

Along with the dumpsters, we are maintaining a place for scrap metals, wood for the needy and a "swap shop". If you need fire wood call Connie Kousman. The "swap shop" is for everyone, please see the attendant if you have items to leave. Everything is free.

I would like to thank George Aldrich, Will Reed, Mike and Dan Monette, Travis and Gene Wright for all their help this past year and a special thanks to all those who brought us coffee, cocoa, donuts and other goodies on those cold days, it always it the spot. Thanks again.

The last seven months (June to Dec.) we are averaging approximately 128 plus vehicles coming into recycling every Saturday. In 2006 we averaged 69 vehicles per Saturday. So we have come a long ways in our recycling endeavor, thanks to everyone!! the others who contribute "fuel" to the workers.

Mixed paper	19 Trips	60.72 Tons
Comingle, plastics and cans	19 Trips	19.25 Tons
Scrap metals	9 Trips	12.42 Tons
5 Cent Returnables	8 Trips	
Composters Sold	9	
Glass sent to Keene	4 Trips	
Rechargeable Batteries sent out	82 Pounds	
Jeff's Trash	17.77 Tons.	This does not include what he picks up before and after recycling. Many folks ask Travis to stop by their homes to pick up other trash.

This past year we were able to return over \$4200.00 back to the General Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Rook

Swap Shop inside of the Cornish Recycling Center, new steps were built by the Gray Brother Builders.





## Rescue Squad

2008

Since 1974 the Cornish Rescue Squad has provided first responder Emergency Medical Services in the communities of Cornish and Plainfield. Our members are certified by National Registry of EMTs and licensed by the State of New Hampshire. All levels, (First Responder, EMT B, EMT I and Paramedic), must meet NREMT standards consisting of continuing education, including a 24 hour refresher and a practical exam every two years. These are the minimum standards for us to provide EMS care to our community members. Many members attend workshops and conferences beyond the requirement.

Members responded to a total of 125 calls in 2008. These calls consisted of motor vehicle accidents, cardiac arrests, supporting our local and mutual aid Fire Departments at a fire scene, medical calls, lift assists, etc...

The Lebanon Fire Department, Windsor Fire Department and Golden Cross Ambulance provide our towns with ambulance coverage. Ambulance coverage for Cornish and Plainfield is by contract between the two towns and the ambulance service.

In 2008 the Cornish Rescue Squad saw some changes. Windsor Dispatch Center, our long time provider for dispatch services, disbanded effective June 30, 2008. We were able to move to Hanover Dispatch Center who now provides dispatching services to both Cornish Rescue and Cornish Fire along with many other towns. Thank you to Douglas Hackett for his efforts in our transition along with the reprogramming of our radios (both portable and mobile), and all of our pagers.

We have also made the decision to no longer respond to water rescue calls with a boat. We sold our flat bottom boat to Windsor Fire Department who will be doing some training and when called upon by local incident commanders, will respond with the boat and personnel to provide help to their New Hampshire neighbors.

We thank both communities and its members for the financial support received from our annual fund drive and from funds appropriated at town meetings. These funds offset the cost of dispatching; radio and pager repair and replacement; the cost of supplies for our members jump kits; supplies, registration, maintenance and insurance for our rescue truck; utilities and upkeep for our station and for training. This spring we are hoping to work collaboratively with Plainfield, Meriden and the Cornish Fire Department to offer training for members in auto extrication. New vehicles including Hybrids and vehicles equipped with multiple airbags offer two of the many

challenges rescuers are faced with when extricating patients from their vehicles.

A BIG thank you to CRS's members whose response 24/7 provides care to the members of our two communities. They are:

Jeff Katchen, Vice President and Trustee; Paul Merchant, Secretary; Fred Schad, Treasurer and Training Officer; Jim McCarragher, Trustee; Steve Jameson, Trustee; Beth Clifton, Trustee; Jenny Schad, Training Officer; Eric Bivona, Dave Bridgham, Larry Dingee, Margaret Drye, Rob Drye, Tim Lang, Leo Maslan, Barbara McCarragher, Chantelle Orlen and Bob Widger.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions regarding health concerns at your house, information for placing E911 numbers or, if you have an interest in joining our squad. We welcome new membership at any time. You can reach us by calling 675-2221.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Lawrence  
President

## Solid Waste Committee

2008

The Solid Waste Committee only met once this year and decided other meetings were not necessary unless new developments warranted additional action.

The recycling center has undergone many changes during the past three years. The large roll-off containers for mixed paper and mixed containers now have shelter to keep rain and snow off their loads. There is a new reuse center. The drive through area has been redesigned and graded allowing for a free flow of cars through the facility. The collection of bagged rubbish continues to be very popular. All of this helps reduce the waste sent for disposal and makes it easier for the residents to use it.

The selectmen have asked two members of the committee to work with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission on their Solid Waste Task force and to continue working the Solid Waste Action Committee spearheaded by Antioch Institute. These two groups are working on regional methods to provide long term waste reduction and disposal options.

The change in the economy has impacted the cost of recycling. During the first half of the year, the facility brought in revenue for the materials we recycled. During the past few months it has cost money to send it out. The town still sees a savings even when it is charged a minimal fee to recycle. The cost of recycling is much less than the cost of disposal and it is less harmful to the environment!

Sincerely;  
The Solid Waste Committee  
Patrick Pinkson-Burke, Chair  
Dale Rook  
Dan Flynn  
George Edson  
Cheston Newbold  
John Hammond  
Bill Gallagher  
Tim Schad  
Richard Thompson

**Southwestern Community Services, Inc**  
2008

Southwestern Community Services, Inc. would like to sincerely thank the citizens of Cornish who have been such excellent partners to us in our efforts to serve those families who are in a time of need.

Over the years we have joined together with the town's representatives to deliver a multitude of human services. They include, but are not limited to: Head Start, Fuel Assistance, Handicapped Employment, Homeless Services, Family Housing and Elderly Housing.

All told the services total in excess of \$67,400, and it is through the generosity of communities such as yours that SCS is able to pursue the funds necessary to accomplish this.

We look forward to a long and continued good relationship with the people of Cornish and we extend an invitation anyone interested to stop by our offices and to further discuss the services that we are able to offer.

Sincerely,

David W. Osgood  
Southwestern Community services, Inc.



## Spirit Committee

2008

For the year 2008 to 2009, the Spirit Committee organized the painting of the trim of the new fire station in Cornish Flat. The trim was given a primer coat and then painted with a final trim coat. The committee also included a project to paint the steps of the Meetinghouse. The group of volunteers was able to get one coat on the front porch of the Meetinghouse and the Spirit Committee thanks Susan Schad and Laird Klinger for completing a second and final coat. We had a wonderful, large, and energetic group of volunteers who arrived at 8:00 AM and had finished the two jobs by noon time. We all especially thank Bernice Johnson for her much loved donuts and the others who contribute "fuel" to the workers.

### Projects completed to date:

- 1988 Painting the exterior of the Town Hall and adjacent old School House
  - 1989 Painting the exterior of Town Sheds in the Flat and landscaping around the sheds
  - 1990 Siding and painting of school with tree planting. Stenciling by Polly Rand at Town Hall
  - 1991 Painting the interior and exterior of the Meetinghouse
  - 1992 Painting the interior hallways and cafeteria of the school
  - 1993 Landscaping and improving parking lot of school
  - 1994 Painting the exterior of the Town Hall
  - 1995 Landscaping front school yard after removal of oil tanks
  - 1996 Postponed due to rain
  - 1997 Paint Cornish Flat cemetery fence, paint inside of Town Library
  - 1998 Painting of the Hearse House and cemetery fences
  - 1999 Paint barns, benches, and picnic tables at Fair Grounds
  - 2000 Paint exterior of Meetinghouse
  - 2001 Funds to help Historical Society with renovation of old Selectman's Office
  - 2002 Paint exterior of Town Hall
  - 2003 Bicentennial celebration of Meetinghouse-painted interior upstairs
  - 2004 Part I painting of Old Schoolhouse #9
  - 2005 Part II painting of Old Schoolhouse #9
  - 2006 Part III painting of Old Schoolhouse #9
  - 2007 No project
  - 2008 Painting the trim of the new Flat Fire Station and steps of Meetinghouse
- The project that is being proposed for the next project is the upstairs interior of the Town Office building. Come join our next project!

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen O'Neill

Caroline Storrs

Co Chairpersons of the Spirit Committee

## Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site

2008

2008 was another busy year at Saint-Gaudens NHS. The park received 29,090 visitors, a 2.5 percent increase over the previous year, which included 41 school groups. We held our third annual “Sculptural Visions” event, which was attended by over 300 people, a great success considering the inclement weather on the day of the event. A total of 88 volunteers contributed 6,320 hours at the park, a 66 percent increase in volunteer hours contributed in 2007. The park’s operating budget for 2008 was \$1,232,680.

In 2008, the site was awarded accreditation from the American Association of Museums (AAM), the highest national recognition for a museum. Of the nation’s estimated 17,500 museums, only 775 are currently accredited. Saint-Gaudens NHS is one of only four museums accredited in New Hampshire. The site is just one of nine units (out of 391) of the NPS that have received this designation. In 2008, only six museums were newly accredited nationally. Accreditation is the museum field’s primary vehicle for quality assurance, self-regulation, and public accountability, and earns national recognition for a museum for its commitment to excellence in all that it does: governance, collections stewardship, public programs, financial stability, high professional standards, and continued institutional improvement.

The historic Stone Arch Bridge repair project was finally completed last summer and we encourage the public to view the beautiful stonework that was restored on the north side of the structure by local stone masons David Fielder and Travis Callahan. The bridge is located a few yards downstream of Blow-Me-Down Mill and until the 1950s was the only means for conveying vehicles across the Blow-Me-Down Brook on Route 12A.

Emergency backup generators were installed that will provide for full park operations during power outages. The project was completed just as power was being restored to Cornish following the December ice storm. The back-up power systems should substantially assist with reducing various false alarms that require response during power outages.

The Blow-Me-Up Ravine Dam, a small fieldstone dam that was constructed by Augustus Saint-Gaudens during the late 1800s to create a recreational swimming pool, was repaired last summer by a New Hampshire Conservation Corps crew, a program of the Student Conservation Association. Previously, the dam was reconstructed in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps and repaired by a youth conservation crew in the 1980’s. Prior to completion of the project, the dam was filled to the top

with gravel and sediment and a number of the large capstones on the crest had been washed several yards downstream and a portion of the dam was washed out during high water in 2007.

The pavilion protecting the Farragut Monument was given a treatment in 2008, affording park visitors with better viewing opportunities of Saint-Gaudens' first major commission. The former metal roof was replaced with glass, providing much better lighting to view the statue.

The park applied for and received a grant on behalf of the Cornish Volunteer Fire Department through the NPS Rural Fire Assistance (RFA) program. Three thousand dollars worth of wildland firefighting equipment was transferred to the Department in 2008 including flame-resistant clothing, hard hats, head lamps, goggles, and gloves. This is the fourth RFA grant that the park has obtained on behalf of the Department since 2001.

The park and the Saint-Gaudens Memorial are continuing to work toward the NPS acquisition of the Blow-Me-Down Farm. In 2008, the Memorial subdivided a 5.2 acre parcel at the northern end of the property that is currently on the market as a one-home, residential lot. The Memorial also generously voted to donate the remaining 42.6 acres to Saint-Gaudens NHS, a process that is taking several months and will likely be completed in spring 2009. Future property taxes on the 5.2 acre lot will substantially offset the loss of taxes on the parcel being transferred to the park. Since 2007 the Memorial has allowed the park to use the Blow-Me-Down Farm for a number of public programs including several presentations on the history of the property, sculpture workshops, and other programs such as the two-day "Coins in the Classroom" workshop for teachers on using coins to teach different subjects in their classes. The Casino has also been used by seasonal staff for housing.

The new hour-long documentary, *Augustus Saint-Gaudens: Master of American Sculpture* will be airing on national PBS in 2009 and will also be available this spring on DVD from PBS Home Video as well as for sale in the park's gift shop.

As always many thanks, to those who serve in the town police, rescue squad, and fire departments for responses to park alarms. Their dedication is appreciated. I ask anyone with questions or concerns, suggestions or ideas about the park and/or the Blow-Me-Down Farm to please contact me at (603) 675-2175 x143 or by email at BJ\_Dunn@nps.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

BJ Dunn



## Saint-Gaudens Memorial Trustees

2008

In October of 2008, the Executive Committee of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial voted to transfer ownership of 42.6 acres of the property known as Blow-Me-Down Farm (BMDF) to the adjacent Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site (Site). The Trustees of the Memorial informed the National Park Service (NPS) of their intent to give the property to the federal government, and NPS Regional Director Dennis Reidenbach has affirmed the agency's intention to accept the land and buildings, conditional upon survey work, deed/title search and an environmental assessment. We anticipate that the transfer will take place during 2009 – possibly as early as this spring and hopefully by mid-year. The remaining 5.2 acres of Blow-Me-Down Farm currently belonging to the Memorial have been subdivided and are currently for sale for private home ownership.

The Saint-Gaudens Memorial is a private, non-profit corporation that serves as a supporting partner of the Site. The Memorial was chartered in 1919 by the widow, son and friends of the great American sculptor, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, to preserve his work and his legacy and to open his former home and studios to the public. In 1965, the Memorial donated the property, structures and works of art to the federal government and it became the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site. The Memorial sponsors free activities at the Site (such as exhibitions and concerts), encourages involvement in the arts through Fellowships and grants, and supports the work of the Site to present and interpret Saint-Gaudens, his work and his world to the public, and to conserve the art and historic resources there.

The Memorial acquired the 48-acre Blow-Me-Down Farm parcel in 1998 from Don and Vera MacLeay who, as a condition of the sale, retained a life-tenancy through 2006. The acquisition was made possible with a gift by Eric Lagercrantz, widower of the former Mary Beaman, whose family once owned the farm. It was this donor's wish, and always the Memorial's mandate and intention, that the property be preserved and protected from inappropriate development and that it eventually become part of the Site. Acquisition and preservation of BMDF has been a desired outcome of the NPS from the beginning. The first Master Plan, compiled between 1969 and 1973, includes the stated goal of acquiring land to the north and the west in order "to provide environmental protection and complete the historic picture" of Saint-Gaudens and his world. The acquisition is also a recommendation of the Site's more recent Management Plan (approved in 1996 after extensive public review and input). The additional land will enable the park to provide appropriate programming and activities relating to Saint-Gaudens, the arts, and to the Cornish Colony, of which the sculptor was a part.

In the 10 years that the Memorial has owned the parcel, the Trustees have invested, to date, over \$270,000 in its preservation and maintenance. Almost half of this amount was spent on the stabilization and renovation of the historic red barn. Other projects included the removal of the Butler building in the summer of 2008, land and tree surveys, and



upgrades and repairs to the Casino, Dance Hall and Chauncey Cottage. Additional funds were expended for insurance, utilities and Town taxes. About 14% of these expenses were covered by income from tenants, three of whom had existing leases at the time the Memorial acquired the property and the others being seasonal park rangers and park volunteers who were in need of affordable, near-by housing. Currently there are no tenants on the property. The balance of these investment costs have come from the Memorial's endowment, with an obvious long-term impact to the Memorial's operations, as these expenses have been above and beyond the original gift made by Eric Lagercrantz.

As portions of the property have become available and as feasible, the Memorial has encouraged its use by the Site: for the Site's own purposes (such as temporary housing mentioned above): for jointly-sponsored programs and meetings (including select sculpture workshops and space for pre-concert performance practice): and for community-related activities such as meetings in September 2008 of the Cornish Historical Society and the Plainfield Historical Society. The Site also began offering a limited number of ranger led Blow-Me-Down tours for the public in 2008 which were well received. The American Numismatic Association and the Site offered a Coins-in-the-Classroom workshop for fifteen New Hampshire and Vermont teachers held at the Dance Hall last summer, a workshop that will be repeated in summer 2009. The Preservation Education Institute of Windsor, Vermont is also planning a summer 2009 educational workshop to be held at Blow-Me-Down Farm.

The other portion of the Blow-Me-Down property – 5.2 acres at the north end – has been subdivided and is being offered for sale and development, with some restrictions, to a private residential owner. This part of the plan for BMDF was developed two years ago, and came out of an effort to create a situation that would be beneficial for all of the main interested parties -- the Site, the Memorial and the Town of Cornish. In this way the park receives additional land and facilities for programming and operations (and though it is not paying to acquire the property, the acquisition will require an increase in operating expenditures by the Site for preservation and maintenance of the property). If the 5-acre parcel is sold, it will return a portion of the property to the local tax rolls, and also will provide the Memorial with some money to replenish the endowment funds depleted during the years it has held and cared for the property on behalf of the Site.

The Memorial will continue to provide input to the park on appropriate future use and development at BMDF, and to partner with them on creating educational programs and opportunities there for the benefit of the local community and the wider public.

Respectfully submitted,

Byron Bell, President of the Board of Trustees

## **Sullivan County Hospice, Inc**

2008

Sullivan County Hospice has been in existence since 1984. We are a volunteer agency, governed by a 12 member Boards of Directors, all of whom reside in Sullivan County.

Our mission is to provide practical and emotional support to terminally ill patients and their families within Sullivan County. The majority of the individuals we serve as home hospice patients, who have decided to remain at home under the care of their families. It is in this setting that we provide most of our services. However, we have the flexibility to follow and serve out patients and their families in a hospital or nursing home setting, as well. Our volunteers are gully trained in areas such as death and dying, the grieving process, active listening and universal precautions. A few of the ways our volunteers provide practical support include respite for care giving, running errands and light mean preparation. Our volunteers also provide emotional support to both the patient and their family, by being available to listen and offer reassurance and encouragement.

Our referrals come from doctors, nurses, visiting nurse associations, discharge planners, as well as from family members or patients themselves. Our only requirements for service are that the patient be terminally ill and that they reside in Sullivan County. We accept all referrals on that basis and there is never a charge for our service.

In addition to providing volunteer services, Sullivan County Hospice offers a bereavement support group. This group is scheduled for six sessions a year, each lasting a period of five weeks. These groups are open to anyone working through the grieving process.

We thank you in advance for your consideration. We hope that you will continue to support our work with your financial contribution, as we continue in our efforts to support the terminally ill and their families in Sullivan County.

Respectfully submitted,

Alberta Marro  
Director of Sullivan County Hospice

## Supervisors of the Checklist

2008

The year 2008 was a very busy year for us, with the Presidential Primary January 8<sup>th</sup>, School District Meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> and Cornish Town Meeting, March 11<sup>th</sup> as well as the State Primary September 9<sup>th</sup> and General Elections November 4<sup>th</sup>.

We posted, published and held the many meetings as required by law for our public meetings. We also posted work sessions, which we held to make corrections and additions, write letters to residents who moved from the community and added new registrations.

Following all elections much information was entered in the computer. We added full middle names, birth dates and checked were voters were born. All those who have taken the time to update their information has been a real help to us and has enabled us to continue our ElectioNet requirements. We thank them.

However we still have a large number of registered voters who need to update their information to meet the HAVA regulations. A list of names is posted at the Cornish Town Office of those residents who are still requested to make out new registration forms. This can be done at school district and town meetings or with the Town Clerk while residents register their vehicles, dogs or just dropping in the Town Office during her hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Rollins, Chairman  
Leland Atwood  
Robin Monette

## Town Clerk

2008

I personally would like to thank the people who helped me out during the year with elections. The list would surpass this page if I named everyone. You know who you are. This was a busy year with the 2008 Presidential Election. IT is the largest voter turn out that we have seen in a long time. Thank you for Voting.

I would like to remind you that 2009 dog licenses are due before April 30, 2009. It is state law that dogs are licensed each year. The majority of residents faithfully register their dogs every year. Unfortunately about 20% are delinquent. This creates a lot of work and expense for our office and the Cornish Police

A total of 482 Dog licenses were sold in 2008:

Puppy	4
Senior	54
Altered/Neutered	401
Unaltered	23

The Motor Vehicle Mail-in Registrations have been very successful. They speed up transactions in the office by having your checks all made out ahead of time. You can mail them or bring them in to the office. Please remember to enclose a self addressed stamped envelope to have the decals mailed back to you.

During the year the following fees were collected and remitted to the Town Treasurer:

Motor Vehicles	\$272,550.50
Dogs	\$ 3,937.50
Fish and Games	\$ 1,600.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 675.00
Miscellaneous Fees	\$ 1,829.00
Total submitted	\$279,592.00

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Harthan  
Town Clerk



## Town Forest

2008

The following are highlights from the town forest this year:

Trail maintenance was performed though out the year by hikers and mountain bikers as they frequently visited the forest. As a result the trails were in excellent shape.

Repairs to the loop road and Root Hill Road completed last year have held up well. The gates installed at the lower end of the loop road and cables on the upper ends have been closed at the end of hunting season and opened when conditions dry up in early summer. This has been highly successful in minimizing damage from 4 wheel drive traffic, which was a big problem in past years.

Jim Fitch and Ginny Prince picked up trash on the Tandy Brook road frontage on Sunday April 20th. Doughnuts were generously provided by Cora Farnsworth.

The trail blazes painted in 2000 are starting to fade. To remedy the situation in a more durable way, Kate Freeland applied for grant money from the Tasker Covered Bridges Fund, for plastic trail markers. Look for these to be put in place during 2009.

A hike to the Eagle's Ledge lean-to for a picnic was held on August 9th. The scouts have also made good use of the lean to for camping out. This lean-to is available for anyone to use, just be sure to keep the area clean and carry out what you carry in. During dry seasons, a 4 wheel drive vehicle can drive south on Root Hill Road to within 50 yards of the shelter. Please stop in!

A highly successful work day was held on Sunday Nov. 2, attended by approximately 1 dozen volunteers. The Jaarsmas, Doug Freeland, Doug Miller and Jim and Sue Fitch cleaned up water bars on Root Hill Road. Water bars accessible by tractor on the loop road and lower Root Hill were maintained by Ginny Prince earlier. Roger Stone along with Jim Osterlund led a group of the Tuesday night mountain bike riders (headed by Jason Ouelette from Claremont Cycle Depot) to completely redeck the long bridge on the blue trail. Treads were cut from larch left over from the Plainfield School bridge project and carried in by hand from the power line. The bridge was then covered with chicken wire donated by Bob and Louise Anderson of Walpole, NH, to create a non slip surface. Bill Palmer and Ginny Prince worked to control invasive buckthorn on a section of the power line, by moving logs and other debris to allow the area to be mowed. Kate Freeland documented the progress in pictures. Many, many thanks to a lot of hard work done this day by all the cheery volunteers!

The town forest continues to be very popular for hunting. There were many

deer hunter visits during bow, muzzle loader and rifle season and the deer population appears very active. The town forest is open to all licensed hunters in season.

The committee would like to encourage visits by nature viewers, hikers, skiers, snowshoers and cyclists. There are maps posted on all the trails a short distance in from their starting points, and there is a container of paper maps at the posted map on the trail from Tandy Brook Rd. In addition maps are available at the town office.

From time to time there is interest in scout or other youth or community projects; the current To Do list follows. If interested in working on any of these items contact any of the committee members.

### **To Do List:**

1. Improve and maintain erosion control structures on Root Hill Road, the loop road, and power line. Add a gate on the power line at the south forest boundary to complete ATV control when the soil is soft.
2. Burn the brush at the lookout to tidy up and revitalize existing blueberry patches
3. Inventory the flora and fauna of the town forest, ideally with photographs, and document tree growth over time.
5. Make and install signs - directional signs for the trails, no motor vehicle signs where needed, possibly more detailed signs at the forest entrances explaining permitted activities, same as on the back of the trail maps.
6. Archeology study - find and map the foundations, stone walls, etc., find the privy and trash pits and excavate, research the history of residence and land use, etc.,
7. Create an interactive guide to the town forest for school age kids.
8. Release and prune apple trees (second go-round)
- 9- Construct privy building for the Eagles Ledge lean to.
10. Design and at least begin a way to quantify and then monitor the growth of buckthorn, and other invasive plants.
11. Place new trail markers.

As in past years, the town forest budget includes no tax money. Because state law requires that any funds, donation or payment or otherwise, must be authorized in the warrant, the forest management committee is requesting permission to spend up to \$1500 for trail marking materials and other miscellaneous items for repair and construction of signs, bridges, gates etc.

For more information or to share thoughts about the town forest contact any committee member:

Ginny Prince, Chair

Jim Fitch

Bill Gallagher

Kate Freeland

John Hammond

## Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission 2008

The Commission is one of nine regional planning commission in New Hampshire created to coordinate all aspects of planning, act as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies and provide advisory technical assistance on land use issues. We serve 27 communities from Piermont to Charleston along the Connecticut River and from Wilmot to Washington to the east.

Over the past year the Commission has expended a significant amount of energy increasing visibility, public relations and identifying the needs of the communities, ultimately aimed at building stability and capacity in order to better address land use issues that are important to the long-term sustainability of the communities within the region. The Commission experienced a year of transition and expansion as it hired a Geographic Information Systems Analyst to provide mapping services and a new Executive Director to provide leadership and guidance.

Revenue for the Commission was \$565,964 for FY08. A large percentage of this funding comes from the Unified Planning Work Program utilizing Federal Highway Administration funding through the NH Department of Transportation. Other state and federal funding sources include the NH Department of Environmental Services, the NH Department of Safety - Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Office of Energy and Planning. Member communities and counties provide membership dues. In FY2008 this allowed the Commission to leverage approximately \$250,000 in state and federal funds, and provided with the Commission with just over 15% of its revenue.

The Commission consists of representatives appointed by the leadership of each member municipality or county. These Commissioners represent your community's interests in the work the Commission does. The Commission had ten new Commissioners appointed by various municipalities and counties expanding resources and expertise within its leadership and demonstrating considerable renewed interest in regional collaboration. Additionally, Grafton County became a member of the Commission this year.

Some of this year's highlights include completion of the Route 120 Phase I Corridor Study in Lebanon and Hanover and a number of Human Transit Coordination plans and Hazard Mitigation plans. The Commission assisted communities in developing Master Plans in Claremont, Cornish, Acworth, Enfield and Lyme which will enable communities to better align their policies and land uses decision with the goals expressed through community



participation. Direct planning assistance was made available to Planning Boards in Orford, Wilmot and Springfield, and regulatory review and ordinance assistance was provided to Claremont, Plainfield, Springfield and Washington.

The Commission provides a significant amount of hours of technical assistance to communities that inquire about specific local issues, data requests or needed resources. The communities of Croydon, Lempster, Goshen, Cornish, Charlestown, New London, Hanover, Sunapee, Lebanon, Grantham, Dorchester, Newport, Unity, Orange, Enfield, Piermont, Plainfield and Leominster all took advantage of these services this past year. This past year we also received inquiries for assistance from regional and other organizations including the Sugar River Conservation Council, Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Mascoma River Watershed Council, Lake Sunapee Advisory Committee, The Nature Conservancy and Dartmouth College.

The Commission was engaged in over 45 projects within the region this year and has increased its capacity to serve the communities of the region. A list of some of this year's accomplishments and projects that were completed, as well as a copy of this Annual Report are available on our website at [www.uvlsrpc.org](http://www.uvlsrpc.org).

We have already begun work on many new initiatives in the region and thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Walker

Executive Director



**Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of VT and NH**  
2008

***Home Healthcare, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in  
Cornish, NH***

The VNA & Hospice is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home healthcare and hospice support services to individuals and their families. By keeping Cornish residents out of emergency rooms and hospitals, and reducing the need for relocation to nursing homes, our care offers significant savings in the town's emergency services and other medical expenses.

VNA & Hospice clients are of all ages and at all stages in life. Services are provided to all in need regardless of ability to pay. Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, the VNA & Hospice made 190 homecare visits to Cornish residents (unduplicated) and provided approximately \$10,631 in uncompensated care. Services include:

Home HealthCare: home visits to residents with short-term medical or physical needs

Long-term Care: home visits to residents with chronic medical problems who needed extended care in their home to avoid admission to a nursing home.

Hospice Services: home visits to residents who were in the final stages of their lives.

Maternal and Child Health Services: home visits to residents for well baby, preventative and high-tech medical care.

Family Support Services: home visits to families for parenting and child development support.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNA & Hospice community clinics for foot care, blood pressure screenings, cholesterol testing and flu shots.

Cornish's annual appropriation helps the VNA & Hospice meet the demand for quality home healthcare, and to ensure that all who qualify for services will always be able to receive them. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne McLaughlin, President (1-800-300-8853)

## **Volunteers in Action**

2008

Volunteers in Action brings together caring volunteers with neighbors in need of a helping hand in Cornish, New Hampshire and in the adjacent towns in the Mt. Ascutney area. Services most frequently requested are transportation, friendly visiting and assistance with food shopping.

During this past year, 2008, 141 active volunteers provided a total of over 17,727 hours of service to their neighbors in the seven towns around Mt. Ascutney. There were 123 households that received serviced including 729 transportation trips. ViA volunteers were also active in many areas such as Mt Ascutney Hospital and Health Center, Stoughton House, Evarts House, Olde Windsor Village and area food shelves. We have 14 volunteers who knitted sweaters, hats, gloves, lap blankets, etc. that were distributed to children and adults in the area.

Requests for assistance come from the visiting nurses, The Council on Aging, Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Center and Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Windsor Resource Center, from individuals, family members and churches. The assistance provided by the volunteers enables people to remain living in their own community longer.

To consider volunteering or to request service, please call Volunteers in Action at 1-802-674-5971. ViA has an office in the Windsor House on Main Street in Windsor, Vermont.

We welcome all inquires to give or receive service. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Jannice Ellen and Scottie Shattuck

## Website 2008

The town's official web site – [www.cornishnh.net](http://www.cornishnh.net) – provides an online community to share and learn information about Cornish.

Pages for news updates, town board meeting minutes, calendar, town offices contact information, weather, links to web sites related to Cornish, and a photo and recipe page.

Since being launched in June, 2006, this information site has an average, steady viewership of 1,700 visits each month. There are growth spurts, such as during the 2008 election season when 2,000-4,000 visits/month were made in August through November.

Most viewers find the site by searching the town's name or by direct request, as they already know or have bookmarked the site's URL. After the index (home) page, the news page is usually visited next. Though a local site, it has some world-wide exposure, too, with visitors from the UK, Ireland, Germany, Seychelles, Russian Federation and Poland.

Site content adheres to the basics though audio and video streaming is something that could be utilized in the future for special occasions.

Cornish's web site welcomes your news, calendar items, questions, suggestions, photos and recipes. These can be e-mailed to me at: [jcschoeler@comcast.net](mailto:jcschoeler@comcast.net).

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Schoeler

## West Central Behavioral Health

### 2008

In FY 2008, West Central Behavioral Health received an appropriation of \$1,870 from the Town of Cornish. We are grateful for this appropriation that enabled us to provide free or reduced cost mental and behavioral health services to residents of Cornish who are uninsured or underinsured. We are committed to making quality mental health services available regardless of ability to pay to all residents of our service area.

West Central Behavioral Health is the NH designated Community Mental Health Center for Cornish, as well as Sullivan and Southern Grafton Counties. Our mission is: “to promote, preserve, and strengthen the mental health and quality of life for individuals and their communities through the delivery of integrated, comprehensive services.” Our consumers suffer from a range of disorders and illnesses: life threatening severe, chronic mental illness such as psychosis, schizophrenia and bipolar disorder; all forms of addiction; as well as anxiety, depression, divorce or relationship related stress, and other impairing, but highly treatable, conditions. We work with all ages in outpatient clinics, homes, jails, nursing homes, schools, and residential supported living programs, offering a broad variety of counseling, psychiatric services, case management, and emergency consultations.

Some of the services provided to residents of Cornish this year include:

- 14 Children and their families received 248 therapy sessions at our outpatient clinics in Newport, Lebanon and Claremont.
- 38 Adult residents received 140 sessions of outpatient counseling for depression, anxiety, addictions, family issues, and other critical issues.
- 12 Residents contacted our Emergency Services, available 24 hours, 7 days a week.
- 11 Residents received 295 sessions of other services such as case management, child respite services and vocational supports.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Michaud



## **Wetlands Wildlife Committee**

2008

A new volunteer appointed by the BOS, Town of Cornish, to serve only in an advisory capacity to deal with any existing or potential problems caused by beavers within town boundaries.

Landowners or citizens concerns will be received and documented by the selectmen and then passed to the committee. The committee will work collaboratively with the State, Town and private landowners to identify and assess beaver problems (both short and long term) and to make recommendations using best methods practices.

The committee feels that some good first steps would be to explore what some of the surrounding communities do about beaver problems and attend educational seminars on dealing with beaver problems.

Respectfully submitted,

James Fitch  
Troy Simino  
Frank Parks

## **Cornish Youth Recreation Association**

### **2008**

The mission of the Cornish Youth Recreation Association is to promote, enhance and foster recreational opportunities, good sportsmanship and respect for the Cornish Community, not limited to age or residence.

The Cornish Youth Recreation Association is a nonprofit recreational association. All programs are paid for by fundraising, donations and small registration fees. We have been very busy in the past year getting things up and running. For families and community members we offered an afternoon of snowshoeing on the CREA property, a sledding party on East Rd., family kickball and softball. The Cornish Youth Recreation Association has sponsored 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade basketball, softball and soccer programs for development and competitive team play for girls and boys. We offer a skills development program for children in grades K through 2 for baseball and basketball.

We appreciate all of the support we have received from the community; there is no way any of these wonderful programs could have happened without it. If you would like to learn more about us, visit our web site at [www.cornishyouth.org](http://www.cornishyouth.org)

Respectfully submitted,

Cornish Youth Recreation Association

## **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

### **2008**

No cases were brought before the Zoning Board of Adjustment during the 2008 year.

Karim Chichakly, Chairperson  
Caroline Storrs, Vice Chairperson/Clerk  
Jason Bourne  
James Brown  
Bruce Tracy  
Scott Baker (alternate)  
Bill Balch (alternate)  
Dale Rook (alternate)

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of the  
**Cornish School District**

March 2009

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**Officers of the School District**

Clerk	Kathryn Patterson
Treasurer	Kim Patterson
Moderator	Vacant

**School Board Members**

Dr. William Palmer	Term Expires 2009
Carol Rennie	Term Expires 2009
Andy Smith (resigned 3/09)	Term Expires 2010
Kathleen Maslan	Term Expires 2011
Kristi Stevens	Term Expires 2011

**Auditors**

Plodzick & Sanderson

# 2009 Annual Report of the School Board

## Cornish School Board Goals

- 1) To improve student achievement.
- 2) To build a more respectful, cooperative, and safe learning environment.
- 3) To increase academic rigor.

## New Principal

The board is delighted to welcome Mary Bronga as principal. She has jumped right in with enthusiasm to continue the school's behavior initiative with the staff and students. Ms. Bronga and the staff are now working diligently toward improved student achievement. The board is especially pleased with the positive energy in the school.

## High School

The board continues to struggle with issues around high school tuition and choice. We have another large back bill from Windsor from 2006-2007 that you can find outlined in a warrant article. Windsor agreed in the 2008-2009 contract not to back bill us for that year. But we can still be billed for the 2007-2008 school year. The board also expects to see significant tuition increases from all our receiving high schools. Last year we conducted a survey (the results are available to view) on high school choice. The results were mixed and there was no one school favored were we to opt to go back to a single contract. Nor is it clear that it would result in savings to the town. The board will continue to gather information on this topic for further review by the town.

## Energy Evaluation

On a positive note, the Energy Committee, inspired by Linda Fuerst, and the Building and Maintenance Committee have begun to look at where the school can save energy both to lower cost and to help the environment. Over the years volunteers have spent hours adding insulation and caulking the building. Now these groups are looking at further savings. New lights have been installed in the gym which may save as much as \$2000 a year. We hope to have a report from the Institute to look at further improvements to the building envelope, heating and electrical systems that may net further gains.

## School Funding

The State of New Hampshire is still struggling with education finance and this is not helped by the current financial crisis. At the time of this writing, the state is considering cuts to education funding that would either raise property taxes or negatively affect education in Cornish. The State has not proposed significant regulatory relief that might help reduce local taxes. On the other hand, the federal government is considering a stimulus package that might present a significant decline in aid. The principal, school staff, SAU and School Board have worked to try and present the leanest budget possible that will not



compromise the high quality education program that town residents have repeatedly demanded in forums.

Thanks

The board would like to thank the principal, Cornish School staff and SAU for continuing to give 110% towards meeting our goals. The board also appreciates the support and involvement of the selectboard, volunteers and the town which is invaluable.

As board chair I would like to thank Carol Rennie for her six years of service to the school board. She never hesitates to ask tough questions that usually lead to a better understanding of a given issue. I will also miss Andy Smith who will be leaving us after a year of thoughtful service.

I think I speak for many board members in remembering Ray Evans who gave us 13 years as a school board member and chair and then more as a moderator. His ability to listen calmly to all sides and compromise was tremendous. I really miss being able to stop by Esersky's and get his take on school issues, but I still find myself wondering, "what would Ray say?".

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Cornish School Board,  
William Palmer



**A LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

February 2009

Dear Parents and Community Members:

As we have done in the past, we have included the “Impact Sheet” for this school year. You can see what each of the three districts in SAU #6 is working on through its own goals and by using some common tools and strategies, as well as unique features to each district.

We started this school year by welcoming our new principal, Ms. Mary Bronga. After an extensive search process lead by Search Consultant Dr. Pam Clark, the stakeholder groups in Cornish came to very clear consensus about their wanting Ms. Bronga to be the next principal. After only a half school year as Cornish’s principal, we all feel confirmed in our choice. Ms. Bronga is just the right principal for Cornish, and we all feel very “smart” to have chosen her through the search process. We’re very happy that she has chosen “us,” too.

The state’s annual assessment program, the NECAP, has now been completed through four testing sessions. We just received the results in the last week in January 2009 from the fall 2008 assessments. Cornish students have shown more of the progress we had expected in the past- in most subgroups. Under Principal

Mary Bronga's leadership and with the staff's full cooperation, even more effort is being put into raising the rigor of the education we give our Cornish students.

You can read the state curriculum frameworks which are the state's curricula now- by grade level in their entirety at the Department of Education's website: <http://www.ed.state.nh.us/education/doe/organization/curriculum/NECAP/GLEs.htm> These Grade Level Expectations are the curricula on which the Cornish students are assessed by the NECAPs – one of many assessments we use both formatively and summatively to improve student results.

We all know that the school had necessarily been focusing on behavior. With Ms. Bronga's arrival as principal and a renewed sense of community within the school, we are happy to report that the number of referrals to the office has dropped dramatically. Cornish Elementary School is an inviting, safe place for your children to learn and for staff to teach.

All in all, it's been a happy and exciting year in school so far. We are pleased that we're moving in so many right and positive directions now.

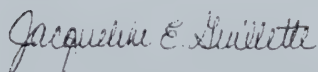
There have been academic, social, and physical gains for the students, new learning by staff, wonderful drama productions, interesting open houses and presentations, and committees working hard on behalf of the many causes/needs in the school. Our students continue to do very, very well as they move in to high schools in two states.

Ms. Bronga keeps telling me that she has found her "home" at Cornish Elementary School. She knows that there is much to do, as there always is in a school. I am confident that Ms. Bronga is the person to lead the school collaboratively towards the achievements we know can be earned.

I so appreciate the hard work of the School Board, the staff, Ms. Bronga, the parents, the community, and the SAU staff who all work tirelessly on behalf of the school and its students. Cornish continues to be an amazing and wonderful community.

My husband, Peter, and I try to attend as many events in the school as possible. We volunteer at the Cornish Fair, too. Please be sure to speak to me when you see me at school and community events. Tell me what you're thinking – good or needing improvement. On evenings this spring, summer, or fall look for a red Harley with 2 people on it. I'll be the one with white pigtails flying from the back of her helmet. Please wave.

Sincerely,



Jacqueline E. Guillette  
Superintendent of Schools

## RELATIONSHIPS. RIGOR. RELEVANCE.

It's impossible to over-communicate!

### IMPACT FOR 2008-2009:

*Improve and increase student learning throughout SAU #6*

#### NECESSARY OUTCOMES (Not in prioritized order):

- \* Expanding the number of students achieving at grade level or above.
- \* Increasing communication with all stakeholders.
- \* Implementing a set of clearly-articulated, challenging learning standards in all subjects and disciplines.
- \* Providing a safe learning environment for all students.
- \* Removing barriers to student learning.
- \* Expanding the staff's instructional repertoire.
- \* Expanding opportunities for early learning and intervention – birth through Grade 3.
- \* Increasing school, family and community partnerships.

#### SAU #6 SCHOOL BOARDS' GOALS FOR 2008-2009: (Still to be updated)

##### Claremont:

- \*To increase personal and professional achievement for everyone.
- \*To improve our facilities and programs.
- \*To provide effective communications to our community.

##### Cornish:

- \*To improve student achievement.
- \*To build a more respectful, cooperative, and safe learning environment.
- \*To increase academic rigor.

#### TOOLS:

**ADEQUATE  
FACILITIES**

**ALIGNED AND  
CHALLENGING  
CURRICULUM**

**EFFECTIVE  
INSTRUCTION-  
RBT**

**PBIS AND/OR  
BEHAVIOR  
MANAGEMENT  
STRATEGIES**

**DATA-BASED  
DECISION  
MAKING**

**TECHNOLOGY  
TO ENHANCE  
INSTRUCTION  
AND DECISION  
MAKING**

## SCHOOL BOARDS' GOALS FOR 2008-2009 (continued)

### Unity:

- \*To improve student achievement.
- \*To have a safe, instructionally supportive facility.
- \*To attract and retain highly professional staff.

### UNDERPINNINGS:

- \* Collect, analyze, and use data to inform decision making.
- \* Develop and implement an effective decision making model for each district.
- \* Develop technology infrastructure, professional skills, and programs for instructional support.
- \* Differentiate instruction to meet all students' needs.
- \* Attract and retain highly qualified staff.
- \* Build more school, family, community, and business partnerships.

### RESOURCES NEEDED:

People: Teachers, paraprofessionals, administrators, custodians and maintenance, school lunch staff, Dow staff, secretaries, FSC staff, families, community members, business partners, higher ed. partners, bus drivers

Financial: Tax dollars, grants, contracts, fees, donations, in-kind

Community: Agencies, businesses, organizations

Structure: Safe, healthy, up-to-date facilities -- inside and outside

Time: To do the necessary work thoughtfully

COMMUNICATE, COMMUNICATE, AND THEN COMMUNICATE AGAIN.....

**HIGH QUALITY,  
RELEVANT PD**

**COACHING  
AND**

**MENTORING**

**ATTRACTING  
AND**

**RETAINING  
HQT STAFF**

**SETTING**

**STANDARDS**

**ALIGNED WITH  
GLEs AND GSEs**

**APPROPRIATE  
ASSESSMENTS**





## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

### Elementary School (01/26/2009)

Kindergarten	13	5th Grade	14
1st Grade	12	6th Grade	16
2nd Grade	11	7th Grade	15
3rd Grade	17	8th Grade	17
4th Grade	15	TOTAL ENROLLMENT:	130

### Public High School Enrollments (02/03/09)

	Claremont	Hanover	Hartford	Lebanon	Windsor	Total
9th Grade	3	1	3	8	11	26
10th Grade	0	0	5	1	5	11
11th Grade	1	1	1	3	9	15
12th Grade	2	1	3	5	5	16
TOTALS:	6	3	12	17	30	68

## HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

	08-09 Budget	08-09 Present	Less Seniors	Add Freshmen	09-10 Total	09-10 Rate	Total
Stevens	5	6	2	1	5	13,300	66,500
Hartford	19	12	4	4	12	10,815	129,780
Windsor	37	30	5	8	33	13,000	429,000
Hanover	3	3	1	1	3	13,300	39,900
Lebanon	8	17	6	3	14	13,300	186,200
Totals	72	68	18	17	67		851,380
Out of State							558,780
In State							292,600

## PRINCIPAL & TEACHERS

Mary Bronga	Principal
Linda Coolidge (0.5)	Kindergarten
Christine Bourne	Grade 1
Dawn Crary	Grade 2
Jennifer Wishnefsky	Grade 3
Elizabeth Tilton-Wahlert	Grade 4
Ruth Cassedy	5 & 6 Soc. Studies, Lang. Arts
Caroline Storrs	7 & 8 Soc. Studies, Lang. Arts
Katri Pollard	5 & 6 Math and Science
Jeffrey Taylor	7 & 8 Math and Science
Rachel Roper	Library Media Specialist
Drewanne Reed	Reading Specialist
Constance Filbin (0.6)	Guidance
Patrick Whalen (0.6)	Physical Education
Kelly LeCreta (0.6)	Art
Cynthia Ouellette (0.5)	World Language
Lois Buchan (0.6)	K-8 Music
Susan Gagne	Special Educator
Judith Maule	Special Educator
Sylvia Brown (0.5)	Title I Teacher / Project Manager

### School Support Staff

Dale Lawrence	Administrative Assistant
Mary Liz Lynch	Nurse
Michael Monette	Maintenance/Custodian
Everett Strout / Jennifer Derosier	Part Time Evening Custodians
Carol Bennett	Paraprofessional
Susan Orog	Paraprofessional
Cheryl Ryan	Paraprofessional
Nancy Thornton	Paraprofessional
Rose Towle	Paraprofessional
Jane Brodeur	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Cameron Colburn	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Kelsey Dangelo	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Jennifer Derosier	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Jody Travis	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Ruth Schneider	Tutor - Title I
Ashley O'Connor	Before & After School Program Director
Kate Barber	Kinder Care & After School Program Asst.
Kate Barber	Athletic Director

### Contracted Support:

Ann Marie Bohn	C.O.T.A.	Karen Coronis	Speech/Language Pathologist
Mike Jangel	Café Services	Mary Ann Salvatoriello	P School Psychologist

## Principal's Report

2009

One of our first goals this year has been to improve school culture. By school culture I am referring to the shared experiences both in and out of school, such as traditions and celebrations, a sense of community, of family, of "team." We have special events and evenings scheduled throughout the year to celebrate who we are as a school community and to showcase the learning that is taking place. We are planning a Math Night, Energy Exposition and French Café to name a few.

Having high expectations for our students and our staff is also a part of school culture. This includes excellence in academics as well as appropriate behavioral expectations. The goal is for Cornish Elementary School to be a safe place, where everyone is respected and responsible, and the work is rigorous and engaging resulting in high student performance. One of the indicators for improved school culture is a reduction in discipline referrals. We set a goal of a 75% reduction in discipline referrals for this year as compared to last year. The data I have collected and compared with last year shows a substantial reduction in discipline referrals for this year.

Improving discipline in the school was our first priority. We have incorporated a method of discipline that teaches children to make better choices. In the majority of cases kids misbehave to meet a certain need. Identifying that need and finding ways to build confidence, recognize achievements, encourage, and appreciate each child helps children meet their needs in a positive way. Most kids respond to this intervention and learn to make better choices.

Punishing children for misbehavior often does not stop the misbehavior, if it did, you would only have to do it once. Our approach is based on the belief that students want to be successful and appreciate a structured environment. Students are responsible for their actions and held accountable by setting reasonable consequences. Students are often involved in the process of determining the consequences for their actions. This usually results in loss of privileges, time out, and/or community service. In extreme cases and when safety is a concern, a student may be suspended from school. In order to come back from a suspension, a meeting is required with the parents, and a reentry plan is developed for the student.

With discipline firmly established and school culture improved, our next priority has been academic rigor.

Our academic goals for the 2008-2010 school years are as follows:

- By 2010, 75% of all students will be proficient or proficient with distinction in math.
- By 2010, 75% of all students will be proficient or proficient with distinction in reading.
- By 2010, 75% of all students will be proficient or proficient with distinction in writing.

These are measurable goals and Fall 2008 testing results show improvement from last year. We will continue to adjust our goals and increase our expectations for academic excellence as part of this process.

Future goals will be looking for ways to embed more technology and science into our curriculum. We are in the process of establishing a partnership, grant funded, with the Montshire Museum and Dartmouth Medical School. Some of this work will be taking place in early spring and some over the summer.

We have some new staff members who have joined us this year. Susan Gagne is the new special education teacher, Cynthia Ouellette is teaching French, Lois Buchan has returned to teach music, and Jennifer Wishnefsky is the new third grade teacher. Kate Barber is our new Athletic Director and Ashley O'Connor, Before and After School Program Director. We have several new paraprofessionals: Carol Bennett, Susan Oroggi, Jennifer Derosier, Jody Travis, and Cameron Colburn. All are important members of our Cornish Elementary School team and we are happy to have them with us.

Developing strong teams that use all our expertise within the school to support student learning and provide enrichment and remediation is an ongoing process. It is also a cost effective way to use our resources. We are using online programs for a student in advanced math and reading and hope to increase the number of students participating in these types of courses. We are in the beginning phase of developing teacher coaches to help train other teachers and staff in areas such as technology.

The Cornish Community has been extremely supportive to the school. Volunteers help in the classroom on a regular basis. They assist the teachers, teach enrichment courses and chaperone the winter mini-courses. Volunteers run our very popular Four Winds Program, and a large group of volunteers, spear-headed by the Cornish Energy Committee are working with us to make the school more energy efficient. My thanks goes out to all these caring and dedicated individuals. As the saying goes, "It takes a village to raise a child." And in doing so, "It takes a community to support its school."

Respectfully submitted by,  
Mary Bronga



# CCPTO Annual Report

2008/09

The CCPTO stands for the Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization. It is named Cornish Community because our mission is to enhance educational and social opportunities while strengthening school and community ties.

The following list represents programs and activities which the CCPTO has been involved with during the 2007/2008 school year.

- Celebration Books – sponsor
- Back to School Street Fest – finance
- Open House Receptions – sponsor
- Four Winds Science Program – provide financial support
- Field Trips and Field Trip Transportation – provide financial support
- School Calendar Magnets – finance
- Graduation Awards – provide financial support
- Kindergarten Welcome Kits – finance
- TV Turn Off Week – provide financial support
- Lifelong Activities – provide financial support
- Playground Equipment – finance
- Red Ribbon Week – finance
- Classroom Materials – finance
- Cornish School Clothing – sponsor
- Holiday Shop – sponsor
- Turn Your TV Off And Read Spring Carnival – finance
- Yearbook – sponsor
- Literacy Presentation by “Revolution” - finance

## 2007/2008 Fundraisers

- The Cornish Fair – main fundraiser (raised \$5000 in 2008)
- Innisbrook Wrapping Paper – fundraiser (raised \$2000 in 2008)
- Dutch Mill Bulbs – fundraiser (raised \$500 in 2008)
- Box Tops for Education – (raised \$150 in 2008)

## Goals – 2008/2009

- Continue/increase fundraising
- Continue to support the various enrichment programs listed above
- Increase membership
- Increase community involvement in school events

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Bourne, President CCPTO

# Cornish Elementary School Nurse: Annual Report

## School Health and Nutrition/Wellness Programs

School Year 2007/2008

### School Health Goals for 2007/08:

### Status:

- Teach CPR to students and staff and coaches.	Partially completed
- Support School goals by encouraging respectful behavior, and supporting academic rigor in Adolescent Issues.	Ongoing
- Using the principles of continuous quality improvement, continue program to decrease student injuries.	Ongoing
- Using illness data continue to evaluate the efficacy of the continued emphasis on handwashing.	Ongoing
- Using the quality improvement process, evaluate the BMI percentages.	Ongoing
- Teach health classes, to all grades, on preventing the spread of germs through contact with blood and body fluids. Discuss with students the importance of "Covering coughs."	Done & Ongoing
- Continue to provide communications with teachers, paras, and parents regarding health-related issues.	Ongoing
- Continue Nutrition/Wellness work.	Ongoing
- Upgrade School Health Program, as necessary.	Ongoing
- Continue work with NHSNA.	Ongoing
- Continue work with School and SAU Safety Committee's.	Ongoing

Quality Improvement (QI) Program: School Health: Use data to establish trends. Examine results for opportunities to improve student health.

### Analysis of QI Data: Illness & Injury Data:

There were a total of 1037 nurse visits in the school year 2007/2008. 53% of visits were related to illness and 47% related to injury. There is no change in this data from last year. The average per student illness related nurse contact was 3.7. This represents a slight decrease from last year. Complaints of illness related to the respiratory tract accounted for 28% of all illness related nurse visits. This is a decrease of 5% from the previous year. This improvement may be the result of an increased emphasis on handwashing, covering coughs and flu shots. This School Health goal will continue.

In a comparison, the average number of per student injury related nurse visits were 3.4 visits per student. This is also slightly down from last year. When analyzing the source of injuries, 30% of the reported injuries were playground-related injuries, excluding structure-related. This represents no change from the previous year. Structure-related injuries increased slightly from 1% of all reported injuries to 2%. Injuries related to the structure continue to be down from a high of 7% with the old structure. Physical Education related injuries are up

slightly from 16% to 17%. This percent continues to represent an increase from previous years. These data has been reviewed with Ms. Bronga and Mr. Whalen, our PE teacher. It will be presented in-depth to our in-house Safety Committee.

24% of injury-related visits were from other injuries sustained in school not associated with the sources previously mentioned, e.g. paper cut, hit with locker door, etc. This is down from a high of 35%. After school sports accounted for 4% of nurse visits. This is down slightly from 5% last school year.

Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to analyze injury data by source and type of injury. Present PE data to in-house Safety Committee. Evaluate PE data by type of injury. Analyze illness data by type of illness. Determine appropriate interventions. Implement interventions. Then evaluate for effectiveness of interventions.

<u>Nutrition/Wellness Goals 2007/08:</u>	<u>Status:</u>
Nutrition: Get involved w/Farm to School Program	Ongoing
Education: Improve awareness of need for a colorful diet	Done
Fitness: Improve fitness.	Ongoing

Committee members: Kathleen Maslan, Karen Jamison, Patrick Whalen, Mike Jangel, Adrienne Noel, Mary Liz Lynch. With regret the committee said Good Bye to Kathleen Maslan.

Nutrition/Wellness Data:

Maintaining a healthy food intake vs. exercise balance is important in maintaining good health over the course of a lifetime. One marker of this balance is the body mass index (BMI). BMI is a calculated indicator of total body fat, which is related to the risk of disease and death. The score is valid for both children and adolescents but it does have some limits. The **limits** are:

- \* It may **overestimate** body fat in athletes and in others, whose body is muscular.
- \* It may **underestimate** body fat in those who have lost muscle mass.
- \* It may not be used alone for children and adolescents. Children put on weight prior to growth spurts. When a BMI is calculated during one of these times they may appear to be at risk for obesity or actually obese, when in fact they are in the middle of growing. Graphing the BMI as a **percentage** compared to other children the same age helps to make sense of this process.

A BMI was calculated and graphed for each student. These graphs were then compared to US averages.

The Nutrition Wellness Committee is continuing to meet. We are actively pursuing involvement in the Farm to School Program. This past year we had an apple tasting. Different types of apples were presented to the students for tasting. Then they voted on their favorite type of apple. It was a tremendous success.



We set a goal of educating students about the importance of a colorful diet. After educating each class about ‘colorful’ fruits and vegetables, we held an all school contest. In keeping with the China theme we included some colorful Chinese vegetables in the contest. A series of pictures were posted in the cafeteria. Students were supposed to identify the name of each fruit or vegetable. Each class’s results were then tabulated. The student in each class with the most amount of correct answers was awarded a small prize related to fitness, e.g. mini Frisbee. This was also well received by the students.

Regarding the goal of improving fitness, the school and community continue to invest in this goal. A baseball field was constructed on the upper field of the Fairgrounds. Learning a lifestyle of physical fitness continues to be the goal for all “ski days”. Students who don’t ski are introduced to other activities. This past year students learned gymnastics and then returned to the school for introduction to other various activities, e.g. snowshoeing in the afternoon.

Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to collect BMI’s. Analyze results. Determine appropriate interventions. Implement interventions. Then evaluate for effectiveness of interventions.

**Goals School Year 2008-2009: (as relates to School District)**

- Teach CPR to students and staff and coaches.
- Support School Goals by encouraging respectful behavior, and supporting academic rigor in Adolescent Issues.
- Using the principles of continuous quality improvement, continue program to decrease student injuries.
- Using illness data continue to evaluate the efficacy of the continued emphasis on handwashing.
- Using the quality improvement process, evaluate the BMI percentages.
- Teach health classes, to all grades, on preventing the spread of germs through contact with blood and body fluids. Discuss with student the importance of “covering coughs.”
- Continue to provide communications with teachers, paras, and parents regarding health-related issues.
- Continue Nutrition/Wellness work.
- Upgrade School Health Program, as necessary.
- Continue work with NH School Nurse's Association.
- Continue work with School and SAU Safety Committees.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary E. Lynch, R.N.

School Nurse

Chair Nutrition/Wellness Committee



## **After Kinder Program**

January 5, 2009

The After Kinder Program is in its fifth year of operation. It continues to be a helpful service to the families in Cornish who have children in Kindergarten. There are currently 13 children enrolled in kindergarten. Of those 13 children, 9 have used the After Kinder Program so far this school year.

The Cornish After Kinder Program strives to provide quality child care for children in kindergarten. Our program runs from 11:00 AM to 2:45 PM. Tuition cost is \$16 per day. The program operates out of the kindergarten classroom within the Cornish Elementary School. This allows the children to have as few transitions as possible.

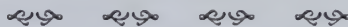
We strive to provide a variety of activities for the children. We have a strong emphasis on social skills development. The children are taught problem solving skills that give them a base for what they are learning in school, and will face when they attend an all day class. Throughout the afternoon the children are engaged in a variety of activities including: dramatic play, arts and crafts, science experiments, cooking sessions, writing, reading, math concepts, sensory activities, circle time, cooperative group games, and nature explorations. There are many opportunities for natural play and creative expression. Program staff work closely with the kindergarten teacher to ensure children have a smooth transition at the end of their school day. Children who attend the After Kinder Program may receive hot lunch and may also take the bus home from school.

We are licensed from the State of New Hampshire Child Care Licensing Bureau. This is an accomplishment that we are all very proud of.

Some benefits of the After Kinder Program include:

- \* Increased opportunities of social skills development
- \* Easier transition to an all day classroom
- \* Gain higher familiarity with the school environment and the educational staff within the school

If you have any questions about the After Kinder Program, please contact Ashley O'Connor at the Cornish Elementary School.



## **Before & After School Program**

At the time of this writing 37 families have used the Before and After School Programs. From those 37 families, 18 children have used the Before School Program, and 45 children have used the After School Program. We are a multi-age program that welcomes children from Kindergarten through seventh grade. Program hours are 7:15 AM to 8:00 AM and 2:45 PM – 6:00 PM Monday-

Thursday, 2:45 PM – 5:30 PM Friday. The Before School Program costs \$3 per day, and the After School Program costs \$10 per day.

This year we extended our program to include a Homework Club. Homework Club runs from 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM, Monday – Thursday. Staff assist students in completing homework and classroom assignments. 34 students have participated in homework club so far this year.

The Cornish Before & After School Program strives to provide quality out-of-school time and is dedicated to the development, education and care of children during these hours. Many of the activities that are provided in these programs allow for freedom to socialize with peers. It is very important to a child's social development that they are allowed to simply just be with their friends in an environment that allows safe explorations of play. Multi-age programs allow for development and exploration of different types of play among the children. The Before & After School Program strives to provide quality child care and enrichment opportunities which parents can rely upon throughout the school calendar year, as defined by the Cornish Elementary School District Calendar. The program provides a variety of activities which include recreation and games, arts and crafts, reading, music, time to work on homework, and "free time" for the children to pursue their own interests in a safe, friendly environment.

#### Parents' Expectations of The Programs

Parents may expect that:

1. Their children are cared for in a safe, supportive environment.
2. They may visit with the Director about concerns related to their child or the program.
3. They will be told about any misbehavior on the part of their child, and visit with the program Director in order to bring about improvement in the situation.
4. They will be informed promptly if the child does not arrive at the program according to his/her enrollment information.
5. They will be regularly informed by the program Director about program activities.

#### Children's Expectations of The Programs

Children may expect:

1. To have a safe, supportive and consistent environment.
2. To use all the program equipment, materials and facilities on an equal basis.
3. To receive respectful treatment.
4. To have discipline that is fair and non-punitive.
5. To receive nurturing care from staff members who are actively involved with them.

Our program is proudly licensed with the State of New Hampshire Child Care Licensing Bureau.

If you have any questions about the Before & After School Programs, please contact Ashley O'Connor at the Cornish Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ashley O'Connor

CBASP & CAKP Director

Cornish Elementary School

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### **Healthy habits help keep your family well.**

#### **Take care: Cover coughs and sneezes. Keep hands clean.**

Healthy habits can protect you and your children from getting germs or spreading germs at home, work and school. Simple actions can stop germs and prevent illnesses.

**Cover your mouth and nose.** Use a tissue when you cough or sneeze and drop it in the trash. Then wash your hands. If you don't have a tissue or can't wash your hands, cover your mouth and nose with your elbow.

**Wash your hands often.** Wash your hands often. Hand washing stops germs. Alcohol-based gels and wipes also work but can be drying to your skin.

**Eat five (5) fruits and vegetables per day. Exercise every day. Get enough rest.**

**Remind your children to practice healthy habits, too.** Germs that cause colds, coughs, flu and pneumonia can spread easily.

**Healthy habits help reduce illnesses and sick days.**

**Healthy habits stop germs at home, work and school.**

This message is from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Department of Health and Human Services. To learn more, please visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) or [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov).

## Building Maintenance Committee

The Building Maintenance Committee has been working with members of the Cornish Energy Committee to find ways to become more energy efficient.

A large number of community volunteers met over the summer to discuss ways to help the school reduce its carbon footprint and save on energy costs. The process is composed of three steps: identify areas of heat loss, add insulation, and look at energy efficient heating and lighting units.

- More insulation, along with a vapor barrier has been placed in the attic and rolled in fiberglass above some of the newly dropped ceilings.
- Fans have also been installed in the attic.
- For the heating system, there are computerized electric controls for the whole building. Each classroom can be controlled separately. The computer senses outside temperature and will automatically adjust water temp.
- There are new ballasts in the lighting fixtures with more efficient bulbs.
- We have joined the SMART Program, which will save substantially on our electrical costs.
- Volunteers have caulked and added weather strips to the doors and some windows

We met with the Jordan Institute, they have done a preliminary energy audit in order to develop a plan that they believed would not overly tax the town, and would bring large energy savings in the immediate and long-range future. This work will continue over the next couple of years.

Our thanks goes out to all the community volunteers for their support and help especially Linda Fuerst and Jim Jordan.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Bronga, Principal

### Building Maintenance Committee Members 2008

Mike Monette, Chair	Jim Jordan	Caroline Storrs	Mary Bronga
Allen Damren			



## **Cornish Technology Committee**

(Meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 3 PM in the Computer Lab)

As stated in the Cornish School District Technology Plan 2008-2010, a few points of the vision for technology within the Cornish Elementary School are identified as:

- To provide a student-centered approach to teaching and learning in a family-friendly environment that supports active, exploratory, inquiry-based learning, setting the stage for life-long learning in a world where technology is an inevitable reality.
- To create an information technology-rich environment, where a community of lifelong learners will be equipped with the skills to succeed in an information age characterized by constant change.

The committee continually examines our progress in achieving our goals. These goals are centered on students, staff development, administrative and community objectives. The committee also makes recommendations on the purchase of hardware and software in order to keep our inventory current and to provide the students and the organization with the most updated equipment possible.

For the 2008-2009 school year, we have been busy replacing 10 old computer with 10 new computers equipped with the programs needed for students to perform research and practice. Since all computers are able to access the internet, we find that the computer lab provides students and staff with the all the necessary resources needed in our fast paced technology based world.

We have determined that the computer lab is being utilized approximately 94% each week. Classes at all levels, access the lab for research or instruction on how to use the computers or specific programs. All students are engaged in learning and demonstrating specific skills as detailed in the ICT (Information and Communication Technology) Standards. Students document their learning by filing a variety of artifacts into their own digital portfolios which is required by the end of 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

The committee also implements trainings for staff to keep skills and knowledge current. Our school is now using computerized student attendance, email, electronic report cards, electronic requisition forms, accessing MAP student data and gathering information on all new education standards. We will continue to provide training to staff based on needs.

The school website is always up and running and available for news and information. It features information such as: School Newsletters, Sport Schedules, Lunch Menu, Health Information, etc. One of the major accomplishments this year was to make forms available online and downloadable

so that the community can access them afterhours. I would like to encourage everyone to visit our site and provide any ideas or feedback. To access our site, visit: <http://sau6.k12.nh.us/cornish>

We appreciate your continued support in continuing our goal to provide our students and organization with current technology with the hope to prepare them for the *'demands of a rapidly changing society'*.

Respectfully submitted,  
Glenn Thornton

Technology Committee Members  
Glenn Thornton, Committee Chair/Parent  
Katri Pollard, Classroom Teacher  
Mary Bronga, Principal  
Dan Suse, SAU #6, Technology Director  
Beth Tilton-Wahlert, Classroom Teacher  
Rachel Roper, Media Generalist



**The Enrichment Committee**

The Enrichment Committee has been meeting regularly for several years. Last year, the committee established its goals mission. The goals were presented at last April’s School Board Meeting and accepted wholeheartedly.

The Committee had several projects in mind: one was an artist-in-residence, Ara Cardew, and the other was a letter of introduction to the community of Cornish. Ara Cardew led a group of seventh graders in a workshop to explain how pottery is made. Ara, with the help of Jim Schubert (an art teacher at KUA) and his assistant, demonstrated how to work with clay using a wheel. The students then shared their knowledge with a group of fourth graders and their pieces were glazed and dried in the kiln.

The next project of the committee was to write a letter of introduction to the community and how the community might assist in its mission. A paragraph sent to all members of the community reads: “The Enrichment Committee is looking at ways to provide unique experiences to the Cornish School programs that expand the musical, cultural, visual, physical, and intellectual horizons available to the youngest members of our Cornish community: our children. We feel it is important, when appropriate and supportive of the school’s curriculum, to enable students to attend local theatrical performances and take part in workshops with professional poets, dance instructors, and visual artists.” The letter offered several ways to support the efforts of the Enrichment Committee; either through

an offer of skills and knowledge or an offer of resources or materials. The support has been overwhelming.

For the school-wide theme on China Angie Follensbee taught the art of papermaking assisted by Mariet Jaarsma, who had recently traveled to China. There was also an outpouring of financial support that made it possible to provide a high quality educational experience to not only the students, but also a large number of community members that attended a special evening event showcasing the students' work and accomplishments.

This year's enrichment theme is our role as stewards of the environment. The title is "Kids Make a Difference." Some of the activities planned are: dramatizing "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss, cooking with solar ovens, awareness of alternatives to plastic shopping bags, updating student survey of our energy use in the school, and exploring wind energy.

Thank you to all our supporters and contributors. We wish to acknowledge the following for their generous support over the last several years:

Mary Beth Heiskell, Richard Simons & Karen Gillock, Laird Klingler, Jeff & Eileen Katchen, Jim Atkinson, Gretchen Holm, Todd & Elisa Currie, Jill Johnson & Charles Meyers, Linda & Michael Fuerst, Rick & Rae Mellowh, Peter & Patty MacLeay, David & Susanne Haseman, Katherine & Hamilton Holt, Bob & Connie Wyckstrom, Caroline & Peter Storrs, Linda Rice, Joan & Gerald Baillargeon, Andrew & Ellen Smith, Bruce & Becky Resnicoff, Lyle & Kathi Patterson, Will & Drew Reed, Antoinette Delaney, Terry & Steven Blair, Colleen O'Neill, Gale Valero, Sandra & Alan Ennis, Ginny Prince, Linda Copp, WalMart Stores, Inc.

We also thank Pam Annis who was able to acquire a \$300.00 donation from WalMart which went to support last year's school wide theme on China. A special thanks to the late, Mrs. Hannah Shad, for her very generous donation this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Storrs, Linda Coolidge, Jeff Proehl, Jen Wishnefsky, Kathleen Maslan, and Mary Bronga

## Cornish Athletic Committee

Athletics in Cornish are valued and foster wellness and physically fitness, as well as good sportsmanship and being a “team player.” We are proud of our student athletes, which are comprised of Cornish Elementary students and homeschoolers.

### Soccer

- Total # of girls playing = 25
- Total # of boys playing = 22
- Total # of volunteer coaches = 7
- Total # of games = 35

### Basketball

- Total # of girls playing = 16
- Total # of boys playing = 10
- Total # of volunteer coaches = 6
- Total # of games = 46

Thanks to all the volunteers who spent many hours coaching our students.  
Thanks to Kate Barber for her hard work taking on the new role of Athletic Director this year. A final thank you to all the parents, families, and community members who attended the games and supported our teams.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Bronga

### Coaches and Athletic Committee Members:

Kate Barber	Steve Peters
Andrew Johnson	Andrew Teffner
Doug Thayer	Karen Smith
Cory Healy	Jeff McGlone
Cara DeCato	Chris Gilbert
Parviz Orogı	Steve Bly
Greg Clark	Tom Barber



# Minutes of the Annual Meeting

## Cornish School District

March 8, 2008

The annual meeting of the School District of the Town of Cornish, N.H., was held on March 8, 2008, at the Cornish Elementary School. Leland Atwood, Robin Monette, and Ruth Rollins were sworn in as Supervisors of the Checklist by School District Clerk Kathryn Patterson who also swore in Lois Fitts, Kellie Patterson, Kim Patterson, and Sandra Redlands-Poland as Ballot Inspectors.

Moderator Ray Evans opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. After declaring a quorum present, he opened the polls for voting on Article I by paper ballot.

Moderator Evans called the business meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Bill Palmer. Reverend Dale Nicholas followed with a brief prayer. Moderator Evans then introduced by name the Supervisory Union personnel in attendance, the School Board Members, School Counsel, the Supervisors of the Checklist, the District Officers, and the Ballot Clerks.

### Article I: (Election of Officers)

There were 226 ballots cast.

**SCHOOL BOARD (3-Year Term)** - Kathleen Maslan was elected to a three-year term with 165 votes. Kristi Stevens was elected to a three-year term with 113 votes. Jim Strout received 101 votes.

**SCHOOL BOARD (2-Year Term)** - Andy Smith was elected to a two-year term with 114 votes. Greg Walker received 93 votes.

**MODERATOR - Ray Evans** was elected to a one-year term with 210 votes.

**TREASURER - Kimberly Patterson** was elected to a one-year term with 209 votes.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK - Kathryn Patterson** was elected to a one-year term with 212 votes.

### Article II: (Hearing of Reports)

Bill Palmer **moved** that the District accept the reports of agents, committees, or officers chosen as reported in the *241st Annual Report* and pass any votes relating thereto. Polly Rand **seconded** the motion. Since no votes were required, the motion was **passed** by a voice vote.

### Article III: (Main Budget)

Bill Palmer **moved** that the School District vote toraise and appropriate the sum of three million two hundred three thousand five hundred fifty-six dollars (\$3,203,556) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the

School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,043,556 for the general fund, \$54,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$106,000 for the federal projects fund. Laura White **seconded** the motion.

Bill Wall made a **motion to amend** the main motion to reduce the appropriation by 10%, a reduction of \$320,356. The appropriation amount would be reduced to \$2,750, 656. John Sumner **seconded** the motion. The motion to amend was **defeated** by a paper ballot vote with 53 yes and 88 no votes.

After school board members covered sections of the budget, the **main motion** was then **passed** by a show of hands.

#### **Article IV: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund – Tuition – Special Warrant Article)**

Bill Palmer explained that capital reserve items are now separated from the main budget as required by New Hampshire law. He then made the **motion** that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the previously established School District Tuition Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was **seconded** by Polly Rand and was **passed** by a show of hands.

#### **Article V: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund – Heating and Ventilating – Special Warrant Article)**

Bill Palmer made the **motion** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the previously established School District Heating and Ventilating Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was **seconded** by Will Reed and was **passed** by a show of hands.

#### **Article VI: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund – General Repairs – Special Warrant Article)**

The **motion** was made by Bill Palmer and was **seconded** by Kathleen Maslan that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the previously established School District General Repairs Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was **passed** by a show of hands.

#### **Article VII: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund – Building and Site Improvement – Special Warrant Article)**

Bill Palmer **moved** that the School District vote to raise the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the previously established School District Building and Site Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was **seconded** by Anne Hier and **passed** by a show of hands.

## Article VIII: (High School Tuition)

Terrie Scott **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nineteen thousand eight dollars (\$19,008) to pay the remaining balance of an unanticipated high school tuition bill from the Windsor School District relating to the 2005-06 school year. This amount represents the balance due on a back-bill from Windsor for our tuition students as allowed by Vermont law. The motion was **passed** by a show of hands after a **second** by Jean Proehl.

## Article IX: (High School Tuition Deficit Appropriation)

Terrie Scott **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) as a deficit appropriation to pay for tuition costs for an additional seven students more then budgeted. Mike Fuerst **seconded** the motion that was then **passed** by a show of hands.

## Article X: (School Front Door Renovations)

Carol Rennie **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to renovate the school front doors so as to provide a new door for the outside and a security door for the inside entrance. Shirley Sullivan **seconded** the motion.

Ginger Atwater **moved to amend** the motion to have the School District vote to raise and appropriate up to \$6,000 for the purchase and installation of ADA compliant outside doors for the front of the building. Security issues would be reviewed at a later date. Heidi Jaarsma **seconded** the motion to amend. The motion to amend **passed** by a show of hands.

The **amended main motion** - to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$6,000 for the purchase and installation of ADA compliant outside doors for the front of the building - **passed** by a show of hands.

## Article XI: (Install Rubberized Roofing Over Kitchen Area)

Carol Rennie **moved** that the School District vote **to pass over** this article. The motion was **seconded** by Karen Woodbury and **passed** by a show of hands.

## Article XII: (Paving Between Kindergarten Addition and the Gym)

Terrie Scott **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$15,500) to pave the area between the kindergarten addition and the gym and further to authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$15,500) from the School Building and Site Capital Reserve Account. Mike Monette **seconded** the motion that was then **passed** by a show of hands.



### **Article XIII: (Change in Voting Date for Officials) (By petition)**

Kathi Patterson **moved** that the School District vote to elect its district officers by separate ballot at the town election as provided by New Hampshire Election Law RSA 671:22. Mike Monette **seconded** the motion. The motion **failed** by a show of hands.

### **Article XIV: (Long Term Lease to the Cornish Fair Association)**

Susan Borchert **moved** that the School District vote to approve the leasing of School District property to the Cornish Fair Association, Inc., so as to permit the Cornish Fair Association to conduct the annual Cornish Fair and to continue to use the premises as it has historically done, pursuant to a long term lease with a term of at least 10 years with an option to renew for an additional 10 years, for rent of \$1.00 and to authorize the School Board to negotiate the terms and conditions of said lease. John Scott **seconded** the motion. The motion was **passed** by a show of hands.

### **Article XV: (District Officer Compensation)**

Susan Borchert **moved** that the School District vote to determine and fix the salaries of school district officers as follows: school board members at \$200 per member per year; school district treasurer at \$200 per year; school district moderator at \$15 per year; and school district clerk at \$30 per year. The motion was **seconded** by Bill Fitts and was **passed** by a show of hands.

### **Article VIII: (Other Business)**

Everett Cass asked where the School District had left the security issue. Would there be a system that monitored each door? Bill Palmer replied that the Building Maintenance Committee and the Safety Committee would be asked to come back with a recommendation for next year. Bill Fitts stated that a keypad would be better than a card-swipe system.

Jim Strout asked Terrie Scott how long she had been on the board. She stated that it had been twelve and one-half years. He then asked Sue Borchert the same question. She stated that it had been nine years. Both are retiring this year. He thanked them both, remarking that that was a long time to sit in the "hot seat." They were given a standing round of applause.

Bill Palmer also thanked them - Terrie for her work with the state and national school board associations, Susan for her work on the foreign language grant, and Alicia Simino for her contributions to the board and the Building Maintenance Committee. He presented them with certificates and plants. He told them, "If the plant dies, you have to come back!" They were given a standing round of applause.



There being no further unfinished business, the meeting was **adjourned** by a show of hands at 4:45 p.m. after a **motion** to adjourn by Mike Monette that was **seconded** by Will Reed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Patterson  
School District Clerk



**School District Treasurer Report**  
for the fiscal year July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

<b>Checking Account Cash on hand June 30, 2007</b>	<b>(\$13,919.90)</b>
Received from Selectmen	\$2,114,955.00
Received from State/Federal sources	782,657.00
Received from other sources	51,333.00
<b>Total Receipts for 2007-2008</b>	<b>\$2,948,945.00</b>
<b>Less School Board order paid</b>	<b>\$2,936,530.64</b>
<b>Checking Account Cash on hand June 30, 2008</b>	<b>\$(1,505.54)</b>
<b>Savings Account Cash on hand June 30, 2008</b>	<b>\$62,659.99</b>
<b>Total Cash on hand June 30, 2008</b>	<b>\$61,154.45</b>

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**Cornish School Building Fund**  
**June 30, 2008 Fund Balance**

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2007	\$22,399.13
Pledges Received	0.00
Withdrawals	0.00
Income Earned - interest	919.89
	\$23,319.02
<b>TOTAL June 30, 2008</b>	

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**Science Room Renovation Fund**  
**June 30, 2008 Fund Balance**

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2007	\$3,770.30
Pledges Received	0.00
Income Earned – interest	124.92
Withdrawal	2,423.32
	\$1,471.90
<b>TOTAL – June 30, 2008</b>	

# **Cornish School District** **Debt Payment Schedule**

The Cornish School District has no long term debt.



<b>Cornish French Accounts</b>		
	Scholarship	Class of 2008
Balance 6/30/2007	\$14,946.73	\$7,218.59
Interest	\$150.36	\$74.99
Donations/Fundraising	\$0.	\$0.
Withdrawals	\$0.	\$0.
Balance 6/30/2008	\$15,097.09	\$7,543.58

<b>James Brewster Fitch Scholarship</b>				
Agricultural/Environmental Scholarship (Original Contribution \$6,873.43)				
Beginning Balance 6/30/07	Contribution	Interest	Withdrawals	Fund Balance 06/30/08
\$10,497.16	\$102.33	\$425.24	\$600.00	\$10,424.73

Special Endowment Funds

June 30, 2008 Fund Balances

<u>FUND NAME (original gift/principle amount)</u>	<u>RESTRICTIONS</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
James Farley Memorial Fund	Writing Excellence	\$ 5,018.
Gratia T. Huggins Memorial Fund	Capital Expense	11,263.
Eberhardt Award	Art & Music	586.
Ellsworth Atwood Memorial	Citizenship	586.
Glen Smith Sportmanship Award	Sportmanship	298.
Harriet Runnals Award	Multiple Categories	1,301.
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Sports Program	1,740.
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Resource Room Program	1,740.
Science Discovery Fund	Science Exploration	1,519.
Doris Morgan McAuley Fund	Spelling Excellence	1,022.
Transfer in error-should be from School Bldg Fund		-7,860.
		\$17,213.

TOTAL ENDOWMENTS – June 30, 2008

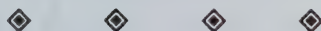


Queneau Scholarship Trust

Beginning Balance	Ending Balance
12/31/07	12/31/08
\$35,508.48	\$35,751.15
Interest	Distributions
\$242.67	-0-

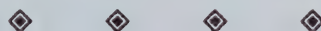
### District's Share of SAU #6 Expenses 2008-09

Claremont	80.89%	\$1,077,641
Cornish	10.75%	\$143,215
Unity	8.36%	\$111,374
	100.00%	\$1,332,230



### District's Share of Administrative Salaries 2008-09

	Claremont 80.89%	Cornish 10.75%	Unity 8.36%	Total 100.00%
Superintendent	\$86,672	\$11,518	\$8,957	\$107,147
Assistant Superintendent	73,780	9,805	7,625	91,210
Director of Special Education	59,571	7,917	6,157	73,645
Director of Curriculum	63,003	8,373	6,511	77,887



### School Administrative Unit #6

Jacqueline E. Guillette	Superintendent
Allen Damren	Assistant Superintendent
Karen Steinbeck	Director of Special Education
Wendy Siebrands	Director of Curriculum
Dan Suse	Curriculum Technology Coordinator
Corrine Baptistella	Payroll Clerk
Penny Derosier	Business Office Clerk
Ann Dieter	Accounting & Benefits Supervisor
Genevieve Gallagher	Administrative Assistant
Donald Johnson	Building Technician
Nate LaVanway	Database Manager
Tonya LeClair	Administrative Assistant
Kelly Poisson	Accounting Assistant
Connie Scheffy	Speech/Language Pathologist
Louise Schultz	Administrative Assistant
April Woodman	Administrative Assistant



CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**Special Education Expenses & Revenue**

Category	Actual 06-07	Actual 07-08	Budget 08-09	Budget 09-10
State Funding:				
Catastrophic Aid	53,774	61,661	50,000	50,000
Adequate Education Grants- SPED	153,938	161,635	161,635	163,000
Federal and Grant Funding:				
Chap. 1- Tutoring in Reading	20,000	19,753	17,400	17,400
Medicaid	9,868	2,339	11,000	11,000
TOTAL REVENUE	237,580	245,388	240,035	241,400
Total Special Ed. Expenses	373,075	403,451	462,174	467,525
Net Special Education Expenses Paid From Property Taxes	135,495	158,063	222,139	226,125

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**Food Service Report**

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Number of Student Lunches/ Breakfasts</u>	<u>Average per</u>
2003-04	9,499	52.8
2004-05	12,054	67.0
2005-06	11,516	64.0
2006-07	13,878/1,203	77.1/6.7
2007-08	13,290/1,170	73.8/6.5

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Profit/ (Loss) Before General Fund Subsidy</u>
2003-04	(11,644)
2004-05	(13,803)
2005-06	(19,009)
2006-07	(16,309)
2007-08	(17,313)

Percent of Café Services Total Cost:

	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-06</u>
Food	34.6	33.5	27.3
Labor	49.8	49.3	53.7
Café Services Fee (150 per month)	2.6	2.6	2.8
General and Administrative	8.6	8.6	9.3
Other	4.4	6.0	6.9
	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-06</u>
<u>Cost per Meal Served:</u>	4.36	4.17	4.61

Submitted By Allen Damren, Assistant Superintendent

## **School District Warrant**

Cornish School District  
Cornish, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Cornish in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the Annual District Meeting at the Cornish Elementary School Gymnasium on Saturday, March 7, 2009 at 10:00 a. m. to act upon the articles set forth in this warrant.

Article 1 of the Warrant will be voted upon by official ballot from the checklist and the polls will remain open for this purpose from 10:00 a. m. in the forenoon until 7:00 p. m. in the evening.

The business session of the School District meeting will commence at 1:00 p. m. in the afternoon at which time the remaining articles will be acted upon.

### **Article I (Election of District Officials)**

To elect a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, each for one-year terms, two School Board members, each for three year terms, and one School Board member for a one year term.

### **Article II (Hearing of Reports)**

To hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

### **Article III (High School Tuition)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS (\$99,360) to pay unanticipated high school tuition bills from the Windsor School District relating to the 2006-07 and 2007-08 school years and further to withdraw THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000) from the school district tuition capital reserve fund created for that purpose. The balance of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS (\$69,360) is to come from general taxation.

### **Article IV (Main Budget)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS (\$3,362,303) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,202,303 for the general fund, \$54,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$106,000 for the federal projects fund and user fees.

**Article V (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- Special Education and High School Tuition - Special Warrant Article)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000) to be added to School District tuition capital reserve fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

**Article VI (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- Heating and Ventilating - Special Warrant Article)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000) to be added to School District heating and ventilating capital reserve fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

**Article VII (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- General Repairs - Special Warrant Article)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000) to be added to School District general repairs capital reserve fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

**Article VIII (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- Building and Site Improvement - Special Warrant Article)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000) to be added to School District building and site improvement capital reserve fund previously established. (Majority vote required)

**Article IX (Gym Floor)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$13,250) to sand, refinish, and paint where needed the school gym floor and further to withdraw the sum of THIRTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$13,250) from the Cornish School Building fund created for this purpose.

**Article X (District Officer Compensation)**

To determine and fix the salaries of school district officers as follows: school board members at \$200 per member per year; school district treasurer at \$200 per year; school district moderator at \$15 per year; and school district clerk at \$30 per year.

**Article XI (Other Business)**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL AT SAID Cornish this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2009.

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William Palmer, Chair

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Carol Rennie

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Kathleen Maslen

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Andrew Smith

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Kristi Stevens

CORNISH SCHOOL BOARD



**Proposed 2009-10 Budget**

Description	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	School Board Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Reg. Inst. Salaries	530,006	553,947	602,903	48,956	8.84%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Paras	45,249	68,687	72,546	3,859	5.62%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Substitutes	27,685	15,000	16,000	1,000	6.67%
Reg. Inst. Health Insurance	143,668	146,521	143,779	(2,742)	-1.87%
Reg. Inst. Dental Insurance	6,813	5,084	7,114	2,030	39.93%
Reg. Inst. Life & Disability	1,444	3,735	4,062	327	8.76%
Reg. Inst. Workers Comp	2,635	5,629	6,102	473	8.40%
Reg. Inst. Unemployment Insurance	621	806	806	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Medicare Taxes	8,051	9,200		(9,200)	-100.00%
Reg. Inst. Social Security Taxes	34,344	39,582	52,896	13,314	33.64%
Reg. Inst. Retirement	28,202	36,113	47,011	10,898	30.18%
Reg. Inst. Staff Development	8,939	11,000	11,000	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Equip. Repair	88	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - In State	162,593	184,200	292,600	108,400	58.85%
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - Out of State	604,475	656,233	558,780	(97,453)	-14.85%
France Trip Expenses	28,657	0	0	0	n/a
Reg. Inst. Supplies	14,721	15,950	15,950	0	0.00%

Description	2007-08	2008-09	Proposed	Increase/	Percent
	Actual	Budget	09-10 Budget	(Decrease)	
Reg. Inst. Assessment	1,596	4,285	4,285	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Copiers	6,131		6,264	6,264	n/a
Reg. Inst. Software	6,656	7,895	7,895	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Enrichment	3,946	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Textbooks	21,621	16,100	10,000	(6,100)	-37.89%
Reg. Inst. Workbooks	4,479	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. New Equipment	2,708	6,264	7,700	1,436	22.92%
Reg. Inst. Replacement Equipment	12,487	10,500	10,500	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Furniture	830	500	500	0	0.00%
Sub-Total	1,708,644	1,808,931	1,890,393	81,462	4.50%
Sped. Salaries	62,831	80,984	91,983	10,999	13.58%
Sped. Salaries Paras	39,225	55,652	66,513	10,861	19.52%
Sped. Tutoring	0	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Health Insurance	38,220	26,486	29,950	3,464	13.08%
Sped. Dental Insurance	2,677	1,572	3,801	2,229	141.79%
Sped. Life & Disability	200	697	771	74	10.62%
Sped. Workers Comp	805	1,400	1,592	192	13.71%
Sped. Unemployment Insurance	190	246	287	41	16.67%
Sped. Medicare Taxes	1,799	2,169		(2,169)	-100.00%
Sped. Social Security Taxes	7,692	10,000	13,841	3,841	38.41%
Sped. Retirement	8,924	9,227	12,592	3,365	36.47%

Description	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Sped. Speech & Lang. Services	0	9,335	9,335	0	0.00%
Sped. Staff Development	0	500	500	0	0.00%
Sped. Testing	0	9,000	9,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Occupational Therapy	0	5,735	5,735	0	0.00%
Sped. Professional Services	15,437	3,500	4,500	1,000	28.57%
Sped. High School Tuition - In State	13,820		0	0	n/a
Sped. High School Tuition - Out of State	55,690	69,241	70,495	1,254	1.81%
Sped. High School Tuition - Private	94,469	152,250	122,550	(29,700)	-19.51%
Sped. Elementary Tuition -Ou of State	21,264		0	0	n/a
Sped. Supplies	467	700	700	0	0.00%
Sped. Textbooks	541	725	725	0	0.00%
Sped. Workbooks	641	325	325	0	0.00%
Sped. New Equipment	50	700	700	0	0.00%
Sub-Total	364,940	441,444	446,895	5,451	1.23%
Extended Year Program Salary	2,088	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Extended Year Program Medicare Taxes	30	0		0	n/a
Extended Year Program Social Security Taxes	129	0	230	230	n/a
Extended Year Program Retirement	136	330	0	(330)	-100.00%
Sub-Total	2,382	3,330	3,230	(101)	-3.02%
Athletics Salaries	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Athletics Social Security Taxes	0	25	75	50	200.00%

Description	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Athletics Police/Referees	3,500	5,250	4,250	(1,000)	-19.05%
Athletics Supplies	980	2,650	2,650	0	0.00%
Sub-Total	5,480	8,925	7,975	(950)	-10.64%
Summer School Salaries	3,518	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Summer School Medicare Taxes	51	0	0	0	n/a
Summer School Social Security Taxes	218	185	420	235	127.03%
Summer School Retirement	101	0	0	0	n/a
Summer School Supplies	83		250	250	n/a
Sub-Total	3,971	6,185	6,670	485	7.84%
Guidance Salaries	26,793	30,309	28,894	(1,415)	-4.67%
Guidance Health Insurance	0	10,651	11,323	672	6.31%
Guidance Dental Insurance	275	0	543	543	n/a
Guidance Life & Disability	0	204	227	23	11.27%
Guidance Workers Comp	106	267	254	(13)	-4.87%
Guidance Unemployment Insurance	25	41	41	0	0.00%
Guidance Medicare Taxes	254	500		(500)	-100.00%
Guidance Social Security Taxes	1,086	1,819	2,210	391	21.50%
Guidance Retirement	0	1,758	2,011	253	14.39%
Guidance Supplies	1,055	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
Guidance Textbooks	55			0	n/a
Sub-Total	29,649	46,749	46,703	(46)	-0.10%



Description		2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Health Salaries		28,590	29,182	29,760	578	1.98%
Health Workers Comp.		109	257	262	5	1.95%
Health Unemployment Insurance		26	41	41	0	0.00%
Health Medicare Taxes		415	432		(432)	-100.00%
Health Social Security Taxes		1,773	1,800	2,277	477	26.50%
Health Retirement		1,658	0	0	0	n/a
Health Supplies		874	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
Health Textbooks		127	150	150	0	0.00%
Health New Equipment		0	300	300	0	0.00%
Sub-Total		33,571	33,262	33,890	628	1.89%
Media Salaries		21,995	32,292	35,248	2,956	9.15%
Media Health Insurance		1,315	5,635	0	(5,635)	-100.00%
Media Dental Insurance		363	524	543	19	3.63%
Media Life & Disability		0	218	248	30	13.76%
Media Workers Comp.		108	284	310	26	9.15%
Media Unemployment Insurance		25	41	41	0	0.00%
Media Medicare Taxes		292	520		(520)	-100.00%
Media Social Security Taxes		1,249	1,950	2,696	746	38.26%
Media Retirement		1,508	1,873	2,453	580	30.97%
Equip. Repair		2,368	5,000	4,000	(1,000)	-20.00%
Media Supplies		1,929	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%

Description		2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Media Books		1,648	3,750	3,500	(250)	-6.67%
Media Periodicals		416	450	350	(100)	-22.22%
Sub-Total		33,216	55,037	51,889	(3,148)	-5.72%
School Board School District Treasurer		0	200	200	0	0.00%
School Board District Clerk		0	30	30	0	0.00%
School Board Moderator		0	15	15	0	0.00%
School Board Election Officials		510	400	400	0	0.00%
School Board Salaries		950	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
School Board Medicare Taxes		16	0	0	0	n/a
School Board Social Security Taxes		69	0	0	0	n/a
School Board Professional Services		20,770	2,750	7,750	5,000	181.82%
School Board Auditors		6,462	4,750	4,750	0	0.00%
School Board Annual Report		1,145	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
School Board Supplies		1,411	750	750	0	0.00%
School Board Dues & Fees		3,004	2,844	2,850	6	0.21%
Sub-Total		34,337	13,839	18,845	5,006	36.17%
SAU 6 SAU Services		135,085	143,215	162,589	19,374	13.53%
School Admin. Salaries		73,395	75,391	76,500	1,109	1.47%
School Admin. Secretary Salary		30,265	31,070	31,694	624	2.01%
School Admin. Health Insurance		22,458	25,149	21,748	(3,401)	-13.52%

Description	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
School Admin. Dental Insurance	1,513	1,754	1,773	19	1.08%
School Admin. Life & Disability	178	508	516	8	1.57%
School Admin. Workers Comp.	451	936	952	16	1.71%
School Admin. Unemployment Insurance	106	82	82	0	0.00%
School Admin. Medicare Taxes	1,434	644		(644)	-100.00%
School Admin. Social Security Taxes	6,130	7,500	8,277	777	10.36%
School Admin. Retirement	6,803	9,305	9,835	530	5.70%
School Admin. Staff Development	870	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
School Admin. Postage	1,733	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
School Admin. Advertising	2,861	2,200	2,200	0	0.00%
School Admin. Printing	2,684	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
School Admin. Travel	332	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
School Admin. Supplies	879	900	900	0	0.00%
School Admin. Principal's Fund	804	750	750	0	0.00%
School Admin. Dues & Fees	684	575	575	0	0.00%
School Admin. Graduation	563	750	750	0	0.00%
Sub-Total	154,145	164,014	163,052	(962)	-0.59%
Maintenance Salaries	66,306	57,695	64,115	6,420	11.13%
Maintenance Health Insurance	13,570	15,216	11,981	(3,235)	-21.26%
Maintenance Dental Insurance	452	0	543	543	n/a
Maintenance Life & Disability	0	265	271	6	2.26%

Description		2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Budget	Proposed 09-10 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)	Percent
Maintenance Workers Comp		240	3,047	3,385	338	11.09%
Maintenance Unemployment Insurance		57	90	117	27	30.00%
Maintenance Medicare Taxes		892	414		(414)	-100.00%
Maintenance Social Security Taxes		3,814	4,000	4,906	906	22.65%
Maintenance Retirement		3,385	3,443	3,652	209	6.07%
Maintenance Contracted Services		9,540	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
Maintenance Water & Septic		1,200	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Maintenance Rubbish Removal		3,600	3,200	3,200	0	0.00%
Maintenance Lawn Care		1,452	950	950	0	0.00%
Maintenance Repairs/Maintenance Services		29,932	26,000	28,000	2,000	7.69%
Maintenance Building Improvements		53,011	31,500	0	(31,500)	-100.00%
Maintenance Property Insurance		2,964	3,226	3,300	74	2.29%
Maintenance Telephone		3,675	5,625	5,500	(125)	-2.22%
Maintenance Supplies		8,889	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
Maintenance Electricity		27,480	21,500	29,339	7,839	36.46%
Maintenance Fuel Oil		35,864	41,153	30,413	(10,740)	-26.10%
Maintenance New Equipment		1,793			0	n/a
Sub-Total		268,115	235,124	207,472	(27,652)	-11.76%
Transportation Field Trips		7,201	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
Transportation Elementary		97,913	91,009	122,400	31,391	34.49%
Transportation SPED High School		8,000	9,000	16,300	7,300	81.11%



Description	2007-08	2008-09	Proposed	Increase/	Percent
	Actual	Budget	09-10 Budget	(Decrease)	
Sub-Total	113,114	106,009	144,700	38,691	36.50%
Fund Transfers Heating					
Fund Transfers General	3,000	3,000		(3,000)	-100.00%
Fund Transfers Building & Site	3,000	3,000		(3,000)	-100.00%
Fund Transfers Food Service	18,000	18,000	18,000	0	0.00%
Transfer to Cap. Reserve-Tuition	3,000	3,000		(3,000)	-100.00%
Sub-Total	30,000	30,000	18,000	(12,000)	-40.00%
Total General Fund	2,916,647	3,096,064	3,202,303	106,239	3.43%
Food Service	58,003	54,000	54,000	0	0.00%
Grants	53,325	50,000	50,000	0	0.00%
Before and After School Programs	61,826	56,000	56,000	0	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL	3,089,801	3,256,064	3,362,303	106,239	3.26%

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2009-10 PROPOSED REVENUES					
REVENUE DETAIL:		As Set 2007-08	As Set 2008-09	Proposed 2009-10	% Chg
1121	District Assessment	1,682,067	1,799,541	1,947,369	8%
	State Property Tax	388,488	443,777	422,651	-5%
	Medicaid	11,000	11,000	11,000	n/a
1500	Interest Income	1,500	3,500	3,500	0%
1990	Miscellaneous Income	20,380	10,000	10,000	0%
3110	Adequate Education Grants	718,657	718,657	739,783	3%
3240	Catastrophic Aid	55,000	50,000	50,000	0%
5220	From Building Endowment Fund	12,316	15,500	0	n/a
Revenue Total		2,889,408	3,051,975	3,184,303	4%

2009-10 PROPOSED BUDGET TAX RATE IMPACT					
	As Set 2007-08	As Set 2008-09	Proposed 2009-10	\$ Chg	% Chg
Appropriation- General Fund					
Total Non-Tax Revenue	2,918,440	3,144,064	3,202,303	58,239	1.85%
State Property Tax	818,853	808,657	814,283	5,626	0.70%
Use of Fund Balance	388,488	443,777	422,651	-21,126	-4.76%
Local Tax Levy	29,032	92,089	18,000	-74,089	n/a
Assessed Value	1,682,067	1,799,541	1,947,369	147,828	8.21%
Local Tax Rate	178,673,860	181,894,973	181,894,973	0	0.00%
Estimated State Rate	9.49	9.89	10.71	0.82	8.29%
	2.22	2.50	2.38	-0.12	-4.80%
Tax Rate (\$ per \$1,000)	11.71	12.39	13.09	0.70	5.65%

**2009-2010 Projected Salaries, Payroll Taxes, & Benefits**

Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years		08-09 Salary	09-10 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
				Exp. Grntd				
REGULAR EDUCATION								
Bourne	BA+30	1.00		8		37,290	40,446	
Buchan	MA	0.60		8		20,689	22,516	
Cassedy	MA + 30	1.00		23		52,706	56,479	
Coolidge	MA+15	0.50		33		33,159	34,154	
Crary	MA	1.00		15		43,496	46,900	
LaCreta	MA	0.60		10		24,177	26,143	
Ouellette	MA + 30	0.50		2		16,947	18,457	
Pollard	MA	1.00		2		33,893	36,913	
Reed	MA+15	1.00		18		48,101	51,690	
Storrs	MA+30	1.00		27		57,115	59,399	
Taylor	MA + 30	1.00		27		57,115	59,399	
Tilton-Wahlert	MA	1.00		10		40,295	43,571	
Whalen	MA	0.60		26		34,269	35,639	
Wishnefsky	MA	1.00		5		31,281	34,197	
Retirements							37,000	
Sub-total						530,533	602,903	235,352

Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years Exp. Grntd	08-09 Salary	09-10 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
SUBSTITUTES							
Various					15,000	16,000	1,408
REGULAR PARA							
Travis	8.75	35	38		11,411	11,638	
Ryan	15.02	35	38		19,591	19,977	
Thornton	9.51	35	38		12,396	12,648	
Towle	8.88	28	38		9,267	9,448	
Bennett	15.02	33	38		18,471	18,835	
Subtotal					71,136	72,546	25,051
SPECIAL EDUCATION							
Gagne	MA + 30	1.00		22	51,302	55,019	
Maule	MA + 30	1.00		26	57,115	59,399	
Less 94-142 Grant					-22,435	-22,435	
Subtotal					85,982	91,983	19,662
SPED PARA							
Brodeur	12.90	35	38		16,825	17,157	
Colburn	9.37	35	38		12,223	12,462	
Dangelo	10.11	35	38		13,180	13,446	
Derosier	8.88	35	38		11,584	11,810	
Orogi	8.75	35	38		11,411	11,638	
Subtotal					65,223	66,513	43,172



Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Years		08-09 Salary	09-10 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
			Wks	Exp. Grntd			
<b>GUIDANCE</b>							
Filbin	MA +15	0.60		9	26,824	28,894	16,577
<b>NURSE</b>							
Lynch	23.17	33.8	38		29,182	29,760	2,580
<b>LIBRARIAN</b>							
Roper					32,292	35,248	6,281
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>							
Bronga					75,000	76,500	
Lawrence	1,219	1	26		31,694	31,694	
Subtotal					106,694	108,194	43,183
<b>MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL</b>							
Monette					39,389	40,177	
Derosier	10.20	10.00	52		5,200	5,304	
Strout	11.01	30.00	52		16,848	17,176	
Summer	10.80	15.00	9		1,384	1,458	
Subtotal					62,821	64,115	24,855
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>					1,025,687	1,116,156	418,121



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### *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the School Board  
Cornish School District  
Cornish, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the remaining fund information of the Cornish School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Cornish School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the remaining fund information of the Cornish School District as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Cornish School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

April 7, 2008

## DATE DUE

Police, Fire Medical Emergencies  
Police, Non-emergency  
Fire, Non-emergency  
Cornish Rescue, Ambulance  
Selectmen, Assessing Office  
Town Office Fax  
Town Clerk  
Tax Collector  
Highway Garage  
Cornish Elementary School  
Library  
E-mail

<b>DATE DUE</b>			
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### Meeting Schedules and Hours

Town Boards meet at Town Office Bldg. - School Board meets at School

Town Office/Assessing	Mon.12-8:30PM, Tues.-Fri 8:00-4:00 PM
Selectmen	Monday 6:30-8:30PM Friday 9-12PMPM
Town Clerk	Monday through Thursday 4:30-7:00 PM Last Saturday of the Month 9:00-NOON
Tax Collector	Thursday 4:30-7:00 PM
Planning Board	1st and 3rd Thursday of each Month
Zoning Board (as needed)	1st Monday of each Month 7:30 PM
Conservation Commission	4th Wednesday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish School Board	3rd Monday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish Library	Monday and Friday 4:00-6:00 PM
Emily Cromwell, Librarian	Wednesday 4:00-8:00 PM Saturday 10:00-NOON

**General Assistance & Senior Resources:**

Connie Kousman	542-7107
Martha Zoerheide	675-2295
Judith Kaufman	542-7322
Anne Hier	542-7348





**TOWN OF CORNISH**  
**WHO to see about WHAT and WHEN**

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**SELECTMEN**

**Selectmen's Secretary-Samantha Ayers**

**Phone 675-5611**

**Fax 675-5605**

**Monday 12-8:30p.m.**

**T-F 8-4p.m.**

Abatements (Property Tax)

Building Permits

Camping Permits

Current Use Applications

Elderly Tax Exemption

Intent to Cut Lumber

Assessing

Pistol Permits

Property Tax Cards

Property Tax Maps

Raffle Permits

Septic Dig Approvals

Subdivision Applications

Veterans Tax Credit

Other Questions – See Selectmen

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**TOWN CLERK**

**Paula Harthan**

**675-5207**

**Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays  
& Thursdays 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Last Saturday of Month 9-Noon**

Burial Permits

Cemetery Records

Dog Licenses

Vital Statistics

Minutes – Planning Board, Zoning Board & Conservation Commission

Marriage Licenses

Motor Vehicle Permits

Dredge and Fill Permits

Genealogy Information

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**TAX COLLECTOR**

**Reigh Helen Sweetser**

**675-5221**

**Thursday 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.**

Property Tax

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**BUILDING PERMITS**

New Housing units

\$200.00

Barns, Garages, Additions, Pole Barns

\$75.00

Pools: Inground or above

\$50.00

Decks, Dormers, Sheds, Carports

\$60.00

Camping Permits

\$40.00